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Home, Foreign Missions Day Spearheads World Program

By Dr. Merrill D. Moore

Foreign Missions and Home Missions spearheaded the world program as committed to our churches by the Lord himself.

Every loyal Baptist, every faithful Christian will be alert to the opportunity presented by Home and Foreign Missions Day in the Sunday school, March 28, 1948.

No pastor, or Sunday school superintendent will be content if this day is not observed in his church, with (1) the program of information and inspiration for the people ("Making Jesus Known" by Miss Willie Jean Stewart) and (2) an offering in the Sunday school for the work of these two mission boards. Program material has been mailed to general superintendents, and is also printed in the Sunday School Builder (March, 1948) and the Quarterly Review (1st Quarter, 1948).

Brother pastor, brother superintendent, get copies of the program immediately if you do not already have them, and take steps today to insure an observance of the day which will thrill your people, gladden the hearts of our missionaries, strengthen the hands of our mission boards, and please the Lord Christ.

BROTHERHOOD SPEAKER



A. ROY GREENE

A. Roy Greene, president of the Tennessee Baptist Brotherhood Convention, is to speak at the State Brotherhood Convention, April 1-2, First Church, Jackson. Mr. Greene is a business man from Clarksville, Tennessee. He has spoken to Brotherhoods in our state at Tupelo and Louisville, and is reported to be one of the greatest speakers among laymen. He is to speak Thursday night, April 1, on the subject "Our Men — The Master's Footsoldiers."

Luther Harrison Meets Death On Way Home From Graduation

WAS MUSIC DIRECTOR FOR MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

The Baptist Hour

March 14, 1948

Speaker: Dr. Duke K. McCall, Nashville, Tennessee.

Subject: "Your Church and the Public School."

The Baptist Hour may be heard in Mississippi at 7:30 Sunday mornings over radio stations WGRM, Greenwood; WFOR, Hattiesburg; WSLI, Jackson; WAML, Laurel; and WTOK, Meridian. Also over WAZF, Yazoo City the following Sunday at 8:30 a. m.

Southern Baptist Convention

Memphis, Tenn., May 19-23

Requests for all room assignments should be addressed to Dr. Mark Harris, Chairman, Rooms Reservation Committee, 601 N. Bellevue, Memphis 7, Tenn. Only rooms in private homes are now available. Room assignments will be made beginning April 1, 1948. Indicate your mode of travel.

Luther Harrison of Clinton, music director of the State Baptist Convention Board, was found drowned early last Saturday near Monroe, La., in an accident in which details were not known.

Word of his death came about 4 a. m. Saturday from the Mulburn Funeral Home in Monroe.

Mr. Harrison had been at Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Ft. Worth, Tex., completing some unfinished work for his B. M. degree and Friday afternoon had completed his final examinations and given a graduation recital.

He telephoned his wife Friday about 7 p. m. and told her he was tired and she urged him to stop and not try to come all the way home. He said he might but remarked that he wanted to be in his office Saturday.

The next word was from Monroe. The funeral home told the family that his car tracks indicated that he had either fallen asleep or lost control of the car and headed into a creek bordering the highway.

Mr. Harrison was a native of Copiah county and he attended State College, the University of Richmond, and Southwestern Baptist Seminary. He served in World War I and was a member of the Clinton Baptist Church.

He had been director of the music department of the Baptist Convention Board since its organization some three years ago. He was also the author of a book "Practical Music Lessons" which will be released in May, for use throughout the Southern Baptist Convention in training courses. He was a crusader for good church music. He came to the Convention Board from Oklahoma City where he had done outstanding work as a mu-

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Mississippians To Receive Degrees From Southwestern Seminary



Seven Mississippians are among those graduating from Southwestern Seminary. Some have recently graduated and others will graduate in May. Pictured above are some of those who are graduating. They are: C. Leroy Boland, Pontotoc, Candidate for the Master of Religious Education De-

gree; Henry Greer, Lumberton, M. R. E.; Thomas J. Parker, Biloxi, M. R. E.; Augie Simon Salter, Biloxi, M. R. E.; Luther Harrison, Clinton, Bachelor of Sacred Music. Among those candidates whose pictures were not available are: Wilber Breland, Philadelphia, Diploma of Theology and Marlin Hicks, Walnut, Bachelor of Divinity.

DR. HUDGINS URGES AID FOR ORPHANAGE CHURCH

By W. Douglas Hudgins, Pastor First Baptist Church, Jackson

Davis Memorial Church, Jackson, is known as our 'Orphanage Church.' Close by the grounds of the institution, it serves the scores of children who live in our Orphan's Home. Sunday School, Training Union, and Worship Services are provided by this splendid church.

Little, if any, help has been given the congregation by the Baptists of the State. In heroic fashion the church has sought to provide a church plant that would be sufficient for its

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Tithing Campaign Continues in 48 And Boosts Southwide Receipts

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BP)— The tithing campaign of Southern Baptists last fall is reflected in greatly increased gifts to Southwide and worldwide objects the first two months of 1948. Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, said.

Dr. McCall said that the total of January and February receipts are a third larger in 1948 than for 1947, and the opening two months of the new year showed total gifts equalling 32 per cent of the 1947's full 12-month period.

He explained, however, that the designated gifts are larger in January

and February each year because of receipts from the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions, taken in the churches in December and reaching the Southwide offices after the beginning of the new year.

January and February 1948 receipts totalled \$2,393,227.96, as compared with \$1,796,677.57 for the same two months in 1947.

The 1948 gifts included \$1,091,007.46 for the distributable Co-operative Program, and \$1,302,220.50 for designated objects. This reflects gains of \$160,767.41 in the Co-operative Program division and \$435,782.99 in the designated section over 1947.

The Baptist Record Every Family Plan Helps Reach The Unenlisted

LUTHER HARRISON MEETS DEATH

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sical director.

He leaves: his wife, the former Miss Myrtle Brent of Summit; a daughter, Wanda Jean; a son, Charles; and a brother-in-law, Alvin Brent, druggist, all of Jackson.

Also, his mother, Mrs. J. H. Harrison of Georgetown; a brother, A. B. Harrison of Pascagoula; and five sisters, Mrs. E. E. Parker of Jackson, Mrs. L. H. Miller, Mrs. H. W. McIntosh and Mrs. B. M. Brown, all of Hazlehurst, and Mrs. Myrtle Cliburn of Van Nye, Calif.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at 3:30 p. m. from Clinton Baptist church with Dr. D. A. McCall, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board officiating and the Rev. Nolan Kennedy, pastor of the Clinton church assisting. Interment was in Lakewood cemetery, Jackson.

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DR. HUDGINS URGES AID

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needs. The large number of children from our Home has added quite a burden to the resources of our brethren in Davis Memorial. Dr. Albert Sydney Johnston, the gracious and much beloved pastor, is leading his people in plans for enlargement and some badly needed new buildings.

The Convention, in its meeting last November, voted to allow Dr. Johnston to appeal to the churches of the State for assistance. This is fair and equitable. It is something we should do. Most of the churches of Jackson plan to have a part in the endeavor and, as one of the pastors in the city, I would like to lay the matter on the hearts of other pastors and churches.

Davis Memorial actually is ministering to our children for all of us. Is it not fair to help them provide necessary space and equipment? Let the matter have your prayerful response at once. Will you?

—BR—

Why I Tithe

By Mrs. R. B. Jones, Waynesboro

Some years ago I became a member of the Waynesboro Baptist Church. I had heard some preaching on Tithing, but it was almost like some foreign language to me.

I became a member of the W. M. U. and through this organization I heard much talk on Stewardship, and after thinking the matter over I excused myself with the idea that Tithing was meant for those who had a regular income. However I was satisfied for I knew the Bible said that "God was no respecter of persons," and if he requires one person to tithe he requires all, and if I fail to give God one dollar out of every ten, I'm just as guilty of robbing Him as the man who fails to give one hundred dollars out of a thousand.

I have learned that although my tithe may be small, I shall not fail to give God His part.

—BR—

Becker Church in Meade County never does things by halves. Treasurer J. D. Thurman recently sent some new names to be added to the EVERY FAMILY list as they feel that the Baptist Record more than pays for itself.

Mrs. L. C. Ates recently wrote as follows, "Please add these 17 new names to our Baptist Record list from Pine Grove Church, Simpson County." These names helped the Baptist Record over the \$6,000 mark in circulation.

Alton Polk Called To Hickory Grove



REV. ALTON POLK

Rev. Alton Polk has been called as pastor of Hickory Grove Church near Sumrall. Mr. Polk is married and lives at Newton where he is a student at Clarke Memorial College.

Mr. Polk is the youngest son of the late Rev. Z. A. Polk, who was pastor of this church at the time of his death.

Wet Claims Proven To Be Untrue

By Rev. Phile E. Pierce, Pastor Hawkins Memorial Methodist Church, Meridian

I was told, "To legalize liquor will stop bootlegging."

According to The Spotlight, Minneapolis, Federal liquor stamps issued in dry counties in Minnesota during 1946 averaged 9 per county, while for the wet counties, the number of such Federal stamps issued averaged 16 per county in excess of the number of state liquor licenses held in these counties. Parallel statistics for other states show that there are more bootleggers in wet areas than in dry.

I was told, "Legalization will bring millions in tax money into the public treasury."

The Massachusetts State Commission officially estimates the total cost of alcoholism to the state is nearly four times the amount received in state liquor taxes.

"Protection of its citizens is a function of the state. It is intolerable that any government, through participating in revenues, should be a party to a business which thrives upon the physical, social, moral, and spiritual decay of its people."—General Conference of The Methodist Church.

I was told, "Anything is better than the present situation."

"Fresno (Calif.) has one 'on sale' liquor license for every 381 of its inhabitants. Over 80 percent of its arrests, exclusive of traffic violations, are traceable to liquor. Since California went wet, says Fresno's city finance commissioner, local police and court costs have increased \$179,000, but the liquor tax refund to the city by the state amounts to only \$43,000; fines chargeable to liquor offenses come to only \$36,000, leaving an even \$100,000 to be paid by property owners in the shape of taxes. The commissioner says that 70 percent of the city's law enforcement expenditures must be charged up to liquor."—The Presbyterian.

I was told, "In a democracy, people have a right to drink if they wish." Judge L. C. Corban (Biloxi, Miss.)

Personnel of Southern Baptist Foundation Assures Wise Handling of Trust Funds

By C. E. Bryant

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BP)— W. Maxey Jarman, who in his forties heads one of the three largest shoe companies in America, has been re-elected president of the Southern Baptist Foundation.

Mr. Jarman is but one example of the high caliber of the men who constitute the personnel of the Foundation. Another is Jack C. Massey, a young man who a decade ago purchased a small drug store in Nashville and has developed it into one of the South's leading pharmaceutical and hospital supply houses. He also is a deacon. Massey serves the Foundation as vice-president and chairman of its executive (investment) committee.

A glance at the names of members of the investment committee emphasizes the point. The committee includes Mr. Massey, as chairman; Raymond C. Rogers, vice-president of Nashville's nationally known American National Bank, who also is secretary of the Foundation; William Gup-

ton, postmaster at Nashville; and L. L. Gellerstedt, executive-president of The Citizens and Southern National Bank of Atlanta.

Dr. Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, is treasurer, and Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Executive Committee, is executive secretary of the Foundation.

The list of 22 members goes on like a page out of Who's Who, including proportionately, ministers, institution representatives, lawyers, and businessmen.

Already the Foundation is in the process of receiving for investment a total of \$300,000. The Sunday School Board turned over to the Foundation an initial \$25,000, and various individuals rapidly followed suit with gifts of \$42,000. The Convention's Executive Committee awaits only Convention approval in May before transferring \$233,000 of trust funds to the Foundation.

Uniforms Acceptable For German Relief

MEMPHIS, Tenn. —(BP)— Major General George P. Hays, deputy military governor of Berlin, has notified the Baptist World Alliance relief committee that gifts of discarded American army uniforms will be welcomed by the suffering German population provided certain modifications are made in the clothing.

General Hays' letter was received by Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor of Memphis' First Baptist Church and chairman of the relief committee of the Baptist World Alliance, in reply to a query from Dr. Caudill to General Clay, military governor of occupied Germany.

General Hays wrote that "the need for clothing among the German population is an acute one." He said that modification of the uniforms "should consist primarily of dyeing of the materials, preferably to some dark color, and alteration of the blouse by removal of military buttons."

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C. Aubrey Hearn, for eighteen years connected with the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, has been appointed official conductor of a party which will tour eight European nations in June and July, 1948, and for six days, will attend a series of meetings of the International Congress Against Alcoholism. These meetings will be held in Lucerne, Switzerland, July 4-9, 1948. Countries to be visited are Switzerland; Scotland; England; Luxembourg; Belgium; France; Italy; Holland. The American party will fly from New York to Glasgow, Scotland, on June 14, and will return to the United States July 15, flying from Paris to New York, leaving Paris on July 14 and arriving in New York City July 15.

says: "The laws against liquor find their support in law in the safety and security of its people. The drunk man is an unsafe man. In a large percentage of violent crime the first excuse that an accused attempts to offer is that he got to drinking and did not realize what he was doing. Drunken driving is the supreme hazard to the lives of all of us on the highway in this day.

DEAR FRIENDS OF ALL RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS:

As Chaplain of the Tubercular Sanatorium, I am asking you for a contribution to purchase religious films to be used in our work among the patients here at the hospital. The Sunshine Club of the Sanatorium has bought a 16 mm Sound Projector and now we are in need of films and will need approximately \$500 to buy the films that we are in need of. No charges will be made on these pictures when shown, and all programs will be religious ones.

If you can see your way clear, please send us a contribution. Send to

H. E. RALEY, CHAPLAIN
MISS. STATE SANATORIUM
SANATORIUM, MISS

This is a worthy appeal coming from Bro. Raley. These films can be shown in various parts and to different groups of the Sanatorium, therefore can be shown over and over again. Churches with members in the Sanatorium will certainly note this appeal, and many other churches will perhaps want to have a part. There are at present 109 Baptist patients here not including the Baptist children in the Preventorium.

J. B. SMITH, Pastor
Magee Baptist Church
—BR—

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the 1947 minutes of the Union County Association which was held with Pleasant Ridge and Martin Churches on September 16-17. The minutes are well prepared and well printed. Associational Clerk C. A. Smith of New Albany seems to have done an excellent job.

Eight timely subjects covering special fields of Christian work are being offered this spring in the Postgraduate School for Preachers at the Moody Bible Institute, from March 30 to April 16. The 18-day preachers' school is part of the yearly program of Moody Bible Institute, and is designed to provide instruction for the special needs of men already in Christian service. Instructors from the Institute faculty emphasize the practical application of their teaching to actual problems of the Christian worker. Among the courses listed for this year's school are: "The Minister and Radio," "The Minister and His Young People," and "The Minister and Contemporary Theology."

We are gradually discovering that we cannot have a sound, healthy world order except as the principles and spirit of the Bible become a vital part of all social relations. . . . T. B. Maston in The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12

LUTHER A. HARRISON

Early last Saturday morning at 4:45 o'clock our phone rang bringing us some of the saddest news we have ever heard. Rev. Luther A. Harrison, Clinton, Mississippi, Mississippi Baptists' Music Director, had been drowned in his car in the Lafouche Swamp east of Monroe, Louisiana, on Highway 80. It is one of those non-understandable things in life. He had planned for and dreamed of doing a little extra work at Southwestern Theological Seminary. He had taken his last examination Friday, had part in the graduate recital, phoned his wife that while he was tired he was driving home. He said that he wanted to get home and that he needed to be at the office "in the morning." This is a familiar refrain to many of us.

Brother Harrison was an ideal denominational worker. He was Christian, thoroughly spiritual. We were with him quite a bit and we never knew him expressing a desire to harm anybody. He was always sympathetic, helpful, aggressive, promoting the better things to the good of the people.

He went to a greater graduation, leaving a splendid Christian family in the persons of his wife, small son, and young daughter. Heaven must have needed him! Psalm 23. John 14.

Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. P. C. French in the loss of her husband. We knew the French brothers. They were our good friends. For many years they served in Jackson under the city administration. Mrs. French is one of our long time faithful helpers. She has our sympathetic remembrance. Revelation, chapters 21, 22.

IMPORTANT DATES

Associational Moderators and Associational Clerks Meeting at Baptist Building, 9:30 a. m., Friday morning, March 12.

On Monday, March 15, Clarke College Campaign offering envelopes mailed to multitudes of Mississippi Baptists via Sunday School Superintendents and directly.

Stewardship Committee Meeting 10:00 a. m., Friday morning, March 19.

Executive Committee Meeting 10:30 a. m., Friday morning, April 9.

Clarke College Prayer Night for Success of Campaign Wednesday night, March 24.

Clarke College offering in all churches by all Mississippi Baptists Sunday, March 28. A few churches have chosen another day for local reasons.

Despite one of the worst winters in history, Mississippi Baptists sent in for all causes during the month of January over \$144,000.00. This sum is among the very highest receipts for January. February was also very good in receipts. Just about the same as a year ago despite the fact that we had better weather a year ago and also a big special campaign in full swing. Doxology.

The Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, Vicksburg, was outstanding in three points. First, between 300 and 400 ministers were present and that is as many as we have ever reached. Second, the program was good. We were made happy all over again by the splendid performance of our own Mississippi Baptist pastors who were on the program. Dr. Webb refreshed us. Dr. Powell led us to new heights Thursday night, and we appreciated the fine contribution on the part of Dr. Medcarr. Third, the fellowship was unsurpassed. In public and in private, brethren were remarking on the splendid spirit prevailing. The singing

was good. The hotels, newspapers, and cafes were considerate. The local pastors and churches had everything in readiness. No detail was overlooked. Doxology!

II

During cold, rainy, bad weather days when some church members did not go to church -- the expenses of the church go right along. The pastor is to be paid. His expenses are the same and at times are more! Literature is to be bought! The salary of the State, Home, and Foreign Missionary goes right along regardless of the weather!

We still have obligations in the financial support of His work regardless of weather conditions! We may stay at home but God is still looking and expecting the support for his work! Lost people are still to be won! Saved people are to be helped just the same!

Did you keep your tithes and offerings from the Lord during the cold of January - February? What are you going to do about it?

III

The following letter suggests the spirit in which we move about the Baptist Building. — D. A. Mc.

March 1, 1948

Dr. B. C. Land
Baptist Foundation
City

Dear Dr. Land:

I have already written you a letter of welcome! We are happy to have you back home!

This letter is to acquaint you with the routine about the Baptist Building. We are happy to welcome you to one of the best buildings in Mississippi -- the Baptist Building! Your office is in a splendid location for which we are happy. The building is not too large, but we feel large enough right now. General facilities as heat, light, and water are included in the terms for your office.

While the mimeograph, addressograph, and so forth belong to the various departments, we are sure the use of these machines may be arranged for occasionally by a conference with the department head or myself. We just ask that they be kept in order and clean.

That leads us to say that we have practically no rules about the Baptist Building. We have such a fine fellowship and all are so busy with our work we have found we do not need any.

While it crowds a bit, we have been allowing parking in the driveway at the rear of the Building with the request that keys to the car be left in the Mailing Room. This is to facilitate the moving of the cars by the janitors when needful as in the case of the truck or other cars getting in or out.

We wish for you every good success in your work.

Blessings upon you.

Yours in Service,
D. A. McCall

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IV

On Sunday we spoke three times at Parchman, Superintendent Wiggins and the sergeants are always very cooperative. Chaplain Beasley is doing a great work. The prisoners are very responsive. There were twenty-five professions of faith in the first service, twenty-one professions of faith in the second service, and sixteen professions of faith in the third service. Fine work is being done in the rehabilitation program. Mississippi Baptists are putting a little State Mission money in this. Large numbers of prisoners are being taught to read and write, as well as other things that help

fix them for citizenship upon returning to a free world. It is a wide open field with great possibilities.

V

We had the privilege of making the first Brotherhood meeting with Secretary W. R. Roberts. In our first service at First Baptist Church, Meridian, 110 men were present. The meeting was a good one with thirteen pastors present.

The second meeting was at Ellisville in the dining room of Jones Junior College. We had 178 men present, and the spirit was dynamic. We were back home, and it was good to be presented by Mr. S. H. McDonnell of Summerland. He is a faithful layman and a fine friend since boyhood days. We had two great college presidents present in the persons of President Young of Jones Junior College, and Dr. W. E. Greene, Clarke Memorial College.

VI

Many of our Mississippi Legislators have inspired us these last weeks. They have proved worthy of the best in Mississippi life. A few have dropped by the Baptist Building. We have enjoyed seeing them. We have seen others on the streets. They are happy over results thus far. May their joy abound!

VII

March 28 has been set for a great Clarke College offering! Coin envelopes will be mailed out to individuals, churches, and Sunday School superintendents, about March 15. This campaign could be victoriously completed on March 28, if every Mississippi Baptist did his or her part! Mississippi Baptist pastors should certainly be in "God's gallery of the great" in leading their people to victory upon victory, year after year! Like Paul, we thank God for every remembrance of you!

VIII

Question: Who is the author of the slogan, "Mississippi Baptists' most unusual school -- Clarke College?"

Answer: We are sure Dr. W. E. Greene, president of Clarke Memorial College, is more than any other person responsible for that slogan. It has a great deal of truth in it so we have used it some. Naturally, every worthwhile institution has an individuality all its own. Clarke College is no exception.

Question: Do you honestly believe that Mississippi Baptists could bring \$350,000.00 in the Clarke College Campaign March 28.

Answer: They most certainly could! They not only could do it, but could do so without hurting any local church program, the Co-operative Program, or any other cause. If all our people, 336,000 strong, would share in this offering it would be a great victory on that day. Many believe it will be done March 28. We wouldn't miss it for anything!

IT COULDN'T BE DONE

Somebody said that it couldn't be done, But He with a chuckle replied That "Maybe it couldn't," but he would be one Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.

So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin on his face. If he worried he hid it.

He started to sing as he tackled the thing That couldn't be done, and he did it.

Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that; At least no one ever has done it;"

But he took off his coat and he took off his hat, And the first thing we knew he'd begun it.

With a lift of his chin and a bit of a grin, Without any doubting or quiddit, He started to sing as he tackled the thing That couldn't be done, and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done. There are thousands to pre-

phesy failure;

There are thousands to point out to you one by one The dangers that wait to assail you.

But just buckle in with a bit of a grin, Just take off your coat and go to it; Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing That "cannot be done," and you'll do it.

—Edgar A. Guest

IX

Word From Mr. and Mrs. Rea Anding, Route 3, Hazlehurst

"After reading about our Clarke College Campaign in the Baptist Record, wife and I want to make a small contribution, now, so we are enclosing a cashier's check for \$5.00 and maybe by March 28 we can give some more. We could have held this amount over until March 28, but thought -- even the small -- it should be at work.

We are recent tithers and like it so well, don't feel we will ever quit. We have really been blessed since we started tithing last October 1, 1947.

We have a great love for our 'most unusual school.' "

X

The Last Week of Our Lord's Ministry and Crucifixion

Matthew 27:57-66. Mark 15:42-47. John 19:31-42.

Jesus is dead! "He came unto his own, and his own received him not." John 1:11. False religious leaders had hunted and hounded Him to His death! We expect the underworld to do this sort of thing, but it is always strange to see so called "holy" men clamoring for the blood of another!

They take down His body placing it in a sepulchre. His enemies are still afraid for a guard is placed about the sepulchre sealing the stone entrance. Is this the end? If so, then we have a sob rather than a song, a sigh rather than a star, darkness rather than light, an endless night with no heaven. What emotions must have possessed the disciples during these days and nights when the body of Jesus was in the tomb.

However, we have the power of the resurrection told in Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, and John 20.

There are those calamity howlers and carping critics who will tell us that the church is dead, the church is done for, and the church has failed. Some of us know better! As for our own little part, we have never preached to such crowds in thirty-three years of ministry as we have preached to in these last months. We have seen people walking the aisles for Christ also! Such calamity howlers will tell you that denominational life is decaying. Such carping critics will tell you that denominational life is decaying. Such carping critics will tell you that God Almighty cannot put over his missionary program.

He lives! Jesus lives! He comes forth from the city of the dead. "Low in the grave He lay -- Jesus my Saviour! Waiting the coming day -- Jesus my Lord! Up from the grave He arose (He arose), With a mighty triumph o'er His foes; (He arose!) He arose a Victor from the dark domain, And He lives forever with His saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!"

Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene, to other women, to Simon Peter, to the two disciples going to Emmaus, to ten apostles and others. He appears to the apostles except Thomas, to the two returned from Emmaus, and others. He appears to the disciples including Thomas. In John 21, he appears to the seven disciples beside the Sea of Galilee. He appears to the 500 on a mountain in Galilee. He appears to James, and then to all the apostles. Luke 24:44-49. Acts 1:3-8. I Corinthians 15:7.

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Luther Harrison

Tragedy not only struck the home of Luther Harrison on last Saturday morning but the Baptists of Mississippi and of the South as well.

Coming to Mississippi a few years ago to become the first State Director of Music, he had made a lasting impression on the music of the churches. And the irony of it is that he met death just as his work was beginning to bear much fruit.

It had been Mr. Harrison's ambition to complete the few weeks work needed for his Master of Sacred and Education Music degree. The Convention Board had granted him the time necessary for this and after graduating on Friday afternoon at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, he was rushing home in order to be in his office on Saturday morning. The tearful details of his death will be found in another column.

We doubt if any person has ever grown in the esteem of Mississippi Baptists in so short a time as had Luther Harrison. He was a gentleman and a Christian in every sense. His life was one that anybody could use as an example. He was as pure as a dew drop and as tender as a tear. As was said of another in centuries past, "In whom is no guile."

We are stunned and shocked at the passing of such a good man. He has only changed his address from Clinton, Mississippi to Heaven. His pleasing voice will make music up yonder instead of down here.

As one said of him:

"His beautiful voice, consecrated to God, and his even more beautiful spirit have blessed and enriched the lives of multitudes. Even in our sorrow we are grateful to an ever wise and loving Father, Who gave him to us, as Luther's voice blends with the voices of other saints in the Heavenly Chorus about the Throne."

March 28 Is The Day

March 28 has been designated as Clarke College Day. It is hoped that by or before that date most of the churches of Mississippi will have done three things:

1. Prayed much both in public and in private for Clarke College and the current campaign for \$350,000. Of course, if our people pray for the financial campaign they will naturally include a lot of praying for the college in general and for other specific objects in detail.

2. Acquainted the membership with the urgent needs of Clarke College and the important places which it is filling in the work of Mississippi Baptists.

3. Prepared to take an offering for Clarke College on March 28 or the nearest agreeable date. Not only should the offering be taken, but every absent member should be given a chance to contribute to this worthy cause. Just as we have emphasized time and again, "Ask the people and they will subscribe," we as urgently contend that if Mississippi Baptists are informed and then given an opportunity, they will support any worthy object.

Certainly Clarke college is a worthy object. Worthy because:

1. Though sentenced to death, she would not die. There have been times when the pulse was low and the glaze of death was on her eyes, but die she would not. Having braved every danger and now having grown strong and robust, she deserves a decent chance which Mississippi Baptists can provide by raising that \$350,000

2. Clarke College is a "feeder" for our senior colleges. Many of the outstanding students at Mississippi College, Blue Mountain College and Woman's College are from Clarke. Every student, every former student and every friend of these three schools should do their best for Clarke because in helping Clarke they will be helping their own schools; Clarke furnishes students for all of them.

Many students who would probably never try to start at a senior college, go to Clarke because expenses are low. After two years at Clarke they somehow find a way to go on and take two more years at one of our senior schools.

3. Clarke college has done much with little. With property in poor repair, with a small student body, without financial backing, President W. E. Greene worked and prayed, gathered around him some consecrated teachers and workers and prayed and worked some more, received more students, built cottages with money which

largely resulted from praying and working, then looked up and saw more students.

Today every corner is filled. Every hall is crowded and still others want to come. But there is "no room in the Inn" (Clarke College). Certainly such growth is not by chance. God's blessings must be upon Clarke.

March 28 is the day when all good Mississippi Baptists should come to the aid of Clarke College.

A Good Example

During the past week a revival meeting has been in progress at Clinton, the seat of Mississippi College.

While this is not intended as an advertisement for the local moving picture show known as the Hill Top Theatre, yet the management is due a good word. At the beginning of the meeting, the manager, Jack Ashford, announced that all shows scheduled during the time of church service would be cancelled.

There may have been others instances of movies closing during church hours but we do not recall them.

Thanks, Mr. Ashford. And to others we say, "Go thou and do likewise."

There are many towns in Mississippi where such a friendly gesture would not only help during the revival season but would create good will on the part of Christian people.

Dr. Routh To Retire

Baptists throughout the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention as well as throughout the world will learn with regret that Dr. E. C. Routh, editor of THE COMMISSION, Foreign Mission Board journal, plans to retire on May 1.

Dr. Routh probably has served as an editor for more years than anyone now connected with any of our Southern Baptist papers or magazines. A native of Texas, he is an A. B. graduate of Baylor University and has the D. D. degree which the same institution conferred upon him in 1919.

Now 73 years of age, Dr. Routh has spent most of his life in the editorial field. He was editor of the SOUTH TEXAS BAPTIST 1907-1912; Associate editor of Texas, THE BAPTIST STANDARD 1912-1942; editor of the same paper 1914-1928; editor of THE BAPTIST MESSENGER (Oklahoma) 1928-1943 and since that time editor of THE COMMISSION.

We have known Dr. Routh since our first month with the Baptist

Record and have found him everything that we would expect of a Christian gentleman. His advice has always been good, his fellowship inspiring and his example worthy of anyone's best.

He deserves the best of everything. May he have it.

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In the last issue of the Baptist Record, Secretary McCall listed the one hundred leading churches in total contributions through the Convention Board office. Twenty-four of the first twenty-five, twenty-five of the second, twenty-four of the third, and twenty-four of the fourth were Baptist Record churches. In other words, ninety-seven of the one hundred churches listed are Baptist Record churches and two of the three listed as non-Baptist Record churches have good lists. Only one of the one hundred is really short on Baptist Record subscriptions.

In other words, in almost every case leading churches are Baptist Record churches.

It does pay to have the Baptist Record as a part of the church program.

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor

Origin Of Baptists

Following is a statement found in an old Bible that might be of interest to Baptists and others. This should answer the recent article in LIFE magazine in which Baptists were listed as one of the radical sects which came from the Roman Catholic church. Read this and save it for future reference or give it to a friend.

Of the true Anabaptists, the celebrated Mosheim, the historian, says: "The true origin of that sect which acquired the denomination of Anabaptists by their administering anew the rite of baptism to those who came over to their communion, and derived that of Mennonites from the famous man to whom they owe the greatest part of their present felicity, is hid in the depth on antiquity, and is inconsequence, extremely difficult to be ascertained."

Two learned men were appointed by the King of Holland to prepare a history of the Dutch Reformed Church. One was Ypeij, Professor of Theology at the University of Cronigen and the other was Rev. I. J. Dermout, Chaplain to the King, both learned Pedobaptists of the Dutch Church. In their history they honestly and truly draw the line of distinction between the munster Anabaptists and the true Baptists, who were also called Anabaptists. They say:

"We have now seen that the Baptists, who were formerly called Anabaptists, and in latter times Mennonites, were the original Waldenses; and who have long, in the history of the church, received honor of that origin. On this account the Baptists (Continued on Page Six)

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

HOUSTON

At the invitation of Pastor D. D. Satterwhite I served in a double capacity at Houston. The pastor arranged for me to have 45 minutes and I took half of it to tell them some of the high-lights of my European trip and the other half to explain the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan. The pastor thinks that it won't be long before the church adopts this popular and progressive plan.

Pastor Satterwhite is leading the people in a fine way and several people expressed their appreciation of him as pastor. The Young Peoples Choir rendered special music and it would have been an added attraction for any church.

Chickasaw County Record readers are now listed as follows: Houston 15; Arbor Grove 14; Bethel 12; Egypt 10; Houka 7; McCondy 14; Mt. Olive 23; Okolona 102; Pleasant Ridge 2; Schooner Valley 1; Union Chapel 23; Woodland 2; Providence 17.

OCEAN SPRINGS IS
NUMBER 902

First Baptist Church, Ocean Springs has joined the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Although Rev. W. R. Storie has been on the field but a few weeks he has already led the church to make the Baptist Record a part of its program.

Concerning the Record Pastor Storie says, "I knew that the best way to get ahead was to acquaint our people with the EVERY FAMILY Plan. They liked the idea and voted for it."

Baptist Record readers in Jackson County are now listed as follows: Ocean Springs 126; East Moss Point 86; Escatawpa 53; Fort Bayou 5; Fountainbleau 33; Friendship 23; Gautier 38; Kreole 52; Moss Point 122; Pascagoula, First 375; Pascagoula, Calvary 212; Pascagoula, East Side 24; Red Creek-Union 26; Sulphur Springs 1; Unity 16; Vancleave 37; Wade 48.

NEW FELLOWSHIP SENDS
LIST

New Fellowship is another church that does not do things by halves. They recently renewed their Every Family list and added some new names, one of which was Rev. Eugene Cross, Walluku, Mani, T. H. Rev. E. C. Hendricks of Enterprise is the pastor. The list was sent in by D. P. Bogdan.

Record readers in Jasper County are now listed as follows: Bay Springs 84; Corinth 22; Decedar 16; Eden 42; Fellowship 28; Heidelberg 66; Louin 85; Montrose 29; Mossville 24; New Fellowship 22; Pine Grove 21; Seminary 3; Shady Grove 34; Stringer 6.

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We have received an article by Dr. John W. Lowe of Richmond, Va., retired Southern Baptist missionary, urging that everything possible be done to help feed and clothe the people of Europe, China, and other parts of the world. This message is sent out from the Southern Baptist Relief Center, 740 Esplanade Avenue, New Orleans 16, La., to which center clothing and relief materials should be sent. Dr. Lowe asks, "Why not a freewill offering now? Sent through your church designated for overseas relief."



Pictured above are Misses Ramona McCoy, Rebecca Smith and Clemmie Gatewood of Liberty Church, Scott County who recently surrendered their lives for special religious service at the conclusion of a sermon by their pastor, Rev. W. J. Hemby. They are members of the Intermediate Training Union. Mrs. L. D. McCraney, leader.

Mississippi Is Ninth
In 1947 Gifts

Total From State \$398,411

Mississippi was 9th in contributions for Southwide causes during 1947, according to a report recently issued by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Mississippi contributed a total of \$398,411; \$150,065 was designated. The remaining difference was for co-operative program objects.

Listed below is the table of gifts as released by the Executive Committee:

ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS FOR
SOUTHWIDE CAUSES AND
DISTRIBUTION THEREOF

Year Ended December 31, 1947

RECEIPTS		
State	Cooperative	Total
Alabama	247,474.28	393,119.29
Arizona	10,786.20	16,256.17
Arkansas	146,651.12	212,442.80
California	11,424.89	19,307.04
District of Columbia	22,596.85	58,268.50
Florida	277,528.40	414,530.79
Georgia	360,909.23	567,851.06
Illinois	84,654.45	120,084.92
Kentucky	412,306.37	539,968.72
Louisiana	176,795.14	277,199.31
Maryland	49,058.58	49,058.58
Mississippi	248,346.78	398,411.94
Missouri	269,927.56	411,566.72
New Mexico	26,486.64	45,737.93
North Carolina	534,337.35	879,539.64
Oklahoma	233,410.06	347,851.04
South Carolina	478,342.54	488,342.25
Tennessee	516,153.57	664,853.23
Texas	650,000.00	983,349.20
Virginia	458,722.71	458,722.71

Total Receipts
by State \$5,215,911.72 \$7,346,461.83

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Chapels Available

According to the War Assets Administration, 7020 Franklin Avenue, New Orleans 17, Louisiana, Chapel Buildings are available at Camp Van Dorn, Camp Shelby, and Gulfport Army Air Field.

These buildings are 37 feet wide by 81 feet long. Ordinarily they contain steam heating and ventilating systems. They are offered "Where is as is" for removal from the site, at \$1,000 each.

Interested parties should write Mr. J. R. Klumpp, Chief, Non-Industrial Division, Real Property Disposal, at the New Orleans address given above.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of renewal subscriptions from Rocky Springs Church, Yazoo County. The list was sent by Mrs. E. V. Surley, Route 1, Eden.

The New Testament Plan Works!

By Duke K. McCall

The name John Hawkins is not just another name, if you know the history of piracy in the Caribbean Sea. John Hawkins and Henry Morgan were English pirates who in the 1670's preyed on the Spanish gold ships which sailed from Cartagena, Colombia. I knew that much, so you will understand my interest when I was introduced to a dark-skinned Columbian who said, "My name is Hawkins — John Hawkins." We were standing on a sun-drenched sand street in front of the Robolo Baptist Church in Baranquilla, Columbia, South America. John Hawkins was a descendent of the pirates who had inhabited San Andres Island just off the coast of Columbia. He was also one of the leading members of the Robolo Baptist Church.

The story back of John Hawkins is a romance of Baptist witness. In 1844, a Baptist from New York moved to San Andres Island which, along with Providence Island, had been the pirates' base. This Baptist, a Mr. Livingston, placed a Bible in the hands of these people who were descendants of the pirates and their slaves.

Five years ago Missionaries H. W. Schweinsberg and Tom Neely were just opening Southern Baptist work in Columbia. They heard about Baptist churches on these two islands and so set out in a small boat to visit one

of them. . . On these islands they found a new kind of life under the influence of strong Baptist churches which have based their organization and doctrines for more than 100 years on the New Testament placed in their hands.

There was no essential point of disagreement between these churches and the churches being founded on the mainland by Southern Baptist missionaries. These independent Baptist churches recognized the principle of co-operation by which Baptists unite their strength for the glory of God. They joined with the churches on the mainland.

Today self-supporting and independent Baptist churches, just five years ago founded by Southern Baptist missionaries, are working arm in arm with those Baptist churches over 100 years old which sprang direct from the fertile soil of the New Testament. The modern miracle of the unity of 26,764 independent Southern Baptist churches has been repeated without the coercion of ecclesiastical authority. Without the pressure of organization or authoritative creed, Baptist churches gather around the standard of the Word of God to work together until His kingdom shall come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

BETHLEHEM CALLS PASTOR

Rev. David C. Jenkins, Newton, Miss., has accepted the call of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Jones County Association. The people of the Church and community are giving the new Pastor and his family a hearty welcome.

Mr. Jenkins is already active in the field. Under his leadership, the church has renewed its efforts to complete the new auditorium and has launched out to build a pastor's home. Easter Sunday (March 28) has been designated as a combination Home Coming and Foundation Day. A drive will be officially started to secure funds for the church program. An interesting program is being worked out by our program committee. Both present and former members and all the friends of the church are cordially invited to be present.

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Antioch Ordains Deacons

On February 8, Antioch Church of Lawrence County ordained L. V. Boyd and Alford McGuffie as deacons.

The ordination council was composed of Rev. Eldon Pevey, Pastor; Rev. C. E. Sellers, neighboring pastor; Rev. W. F. Bisbee, Royal Ambassador Secretary; and the following deacons; John W. Terry, F. M. Mason, Walter McGuffie, Pat Williamson and Plez Graine.

The examination was led by the pastor; the Charge by Mr. Sellers and the sermon by Mr. Bisbee. The pastor presented each new deacon a certificate of his ordination.

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CHRIST IS OUR STRENGTH, by Dr. Hyman J. Appleman and published by the Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, (\$1.50) is a series of revival addresses that ring with the fervor that has made this evangelist famous throughout the land. Here is a message for the day, a reminder that nothing is lost while faith remains. Orders should be sent to the publisher or to the Baptist Book Store.

ATTENTION ASSOCIATION
MODERATORS AND CLERKS

Will each of you please bring a copy of your Associational Calendar Of Activities to the annual meeting of Moderators and Clerks on March 12?

We have been requested to lead a discussion on An Associational Calendar Of Activities. We believe it would be most interesting and helpful to have before us a printed or mimeographed copy from every association in the state.

We would appreciate you sending us a copy of your Calendar Of Activities before the convention.

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A Reader Writes

I want to thank you for quoting in the Baptist Record from the bulletin of the "Friends Committee on National Legislation" a statement concerning the duty of abolition of war; and for the statement from the "Progressive Farmer" advocating diplomacy in the spirit of Christianity.

Now we ought to dedicate ourselves to our pledge in the United Nations Charter: "to insure . . . that armed force shall not be used, save in the common interest" and "to employ international machinery for the promotion of the economic and social advancement of all peoples."

Again I think you for giving us a chance to read the quotations from the "Friends Committee" and the "Progressive Farmer."

Very Truly,
/s/ THEODOCIA S. LOWREY
(Mrs. W. T. Lowrey).

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THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD by Dr. Henry Sloan Coffin (\$2) is bound in cloth and has ten chapters and 208 pages. Dr. Coffin does not insist upon any particular ritual. He does insist that whatever the ritual, a service must be conducted in such a way as to direct the worshippers' attention upon God and keep it there. Some of the chapter subjects are: What Is Christian Worship?, The Art of Public Worship and The Offering of Praise. Address orders to the Westminster Press, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia 7, Pa., or the Baptist Book Store.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary --- PAUL D. BOOTHE, Asso. Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
MRS. P. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary



The above picture is that of the Sunday school Training awards banquet of the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg.

They are setting a new record in these awards this year, and the people are surely manifesting much interest. We will never have better schools until we have better trained people.

Dr. W. A. Bell is the pastor of this good church and Mrs. Rhea G. Smith is the associate superintendent in charge of Training.

TENTH AND SEVENTEENTH

We recently received from Nashville the records of the 23 churches in the South with the largest number

of Sunday school training awards for the first 4 1-2 months of this Sunday school year.

Calvary Jackson was tenth and Hattiesburg First was seventeenth.

Congratulation to both these fine churches!

JACKSON CLINIC HELPED

"I had the privilege of hearing Dr. J. M. Price in the recent clinic. It was a wonderful opportunity, for which I am grateful. His book has been an inspiration to me and I feel will help me in my teaching."

The above is a statement from Mrs. J. O. Snowden, one of our fine Jackson Sunday school workers. We are sure many feel the same way about that week's study.

SELECTED EDITORIAL

(Continued from Page Four)

may be considered as the only Christian community which has stood since the days of the apostles, and as a Christian society which has preserved pure the doctrines of the Gospel through all ages. The perfectly correct external and internal economy of the Baptist denomination tends to confirm the truth, disputed by the Romish Church, that the Reformation, brought about in the sixteenth century, was the highest degree necessary; and, at the same time, goes to refute the erroneous notion of the Catholics that their communion is the most ancient.

"Baptists claim their origin from the ministry of Christ and his apostles." They claim no founder and head except Jesus Christ. See Dan. 2:44; Matt. 16:18. With Sir Isaac Newton they claim that "the Baptists are the only body of Christians that has not symbolized with the Church of Rome." They have ever been the champions of religious liberty. — Main Street Baptist.

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The Revival Feb. 18-29 conducted by the First Baptist Church, Columbus Mississippi, with Dr. J. D. Grey pastor, First Baptist Church, New Orleans, La. preaching and N. B. Vandall, Arkon Ohio directing the music, resulted in 109 additions, of which 75 were for baptism. It was a great revival. S. R. Woodson, pastor.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

(Continued from Page Three)

missions His followers. Luke 24. A second time he commissions His followers in the most familiar statement of the Great Commission in Matthew 28:16-20. And again in Acts 1:3-8.

How did these newly commissioned disciples act? The Word says, "And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word by the signs that followed. Amen." Mark 16:20. The Word says, "And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and were continually in the temple, blessing God." Luke 24:52-53.

Have we been commissioned? How do we act?

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WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—Louis G. Schenk, former religion editor of Pathfinder Magazine, published here, has been appointed Washington correspondent of Religious News Service, it was announced by Louis Misky, managing editor of RNS. He replaces Larston D. Farrar, who resigned. Schenk has had an extensive experience in the field of religious journalism. He previously served as secretary of the News Bureau, National Lutheran Council.

(Editor's Note: The Baptist Record receives Religious News Service). The American Association of School Administrators, meeting in Atlantic City, approved a resolution insisting that public school funds go to public schools only. "We believe that separate schools should be financed entirely by their supporters," the resolution stated.



BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

CHAS. W. HORNER, Secretary
Box 530 --- Phone 2-1600 --- Jackson
DAUNIE JEAN SMITH, Office Secretary



MRS. E. T. GLOVER

Mrs. E. T. Glover, pictured above, resigned her position of BSU Secretary for Pearl River Junior College, Poplarville, effective Feb. 1, 1948, in order to be with her husband who is finishing his degree at Mississippi College. She has been succeeded by Miss Dora Etta Solomon, of Pensacola, Fla.

P. R. C. students, especially, and all of us are very thankful for the fine work Mrs. Glover did during her stay in Poplarville.

POTPOURRI

Our State Convention is set for Oct. 15-17, 1948, place unknown. We are receptive to invitations. . . Dr. Rankin, of our Foreign Mission Board, says the BSU provides practically all foreign mission volunteers. . . If you want your money, little or much, to count for much, give generously to the Clarke College campaign. . . Students, we need your prayerful suggestions for our Fall Convention and SOON! . . . Almost a hundred young people have signed up for the Youth Revival Crusade. . . Miss State and Clarke BSUs have been fighting it out on the basketball courts recently. Ask them for the scores. . . Miss College's Student Center has an auditorium, seating 350, offices for the Student Sec'y, lobby, recreation room, rest rooms, kitchen, dining room, apartment for the hostess BSU workshop, offices for the three college student publication room, a music room, and a play room. . .

You . . . And World Destiny!

Merrill D. Moore

From Europe last summer some of us came back with two outstanding impressions. First, it was pressed upon us that the obscurest crossroad in our country is really at the cross-currents of world affairs. All over Europe we came across both men and women from the southern states. In a Copenhagen streetcar there was a WAC sergeant formerly young people's leader in W.M.U. work in Tennessee. On a train in Germany, there was a high ranking American officer, member of Smithwood Baptist Church in Knoxville and another officer and his wife who were baptized in Texas by a pastor in our party. Flying in a Constellation shortly after leaving Shannon, Ireland, the First Officer of the plane said, "Mr. Moore, I remember when you used to speak in chapel to us at Carson-Newman College."

It has been such a short time since civilization was saved from crisis by boys who were suddenly snatched up from the crossroads of America. If it is saved from our present crisis, it will be by those who receive their training from some humble parents somewhere "back home," where crowds do not press, or traffic jam, or the lights of publicity focus.

Does one want to influence world affairs? Let him do a good job as a father on an obscure farm, or let her be a devoted Christian mother. Let him teach a group of children in a mountain school, or be a faithful pastor to God's small flock. In this day when distance is no longer a valid standard of measure in world affairs, one may thus reach from where he is to affect the current of events on the other side of the world.

A second conviction which one brings back from the war-torn countries is that which was voiced by Major Charles Ramier who served in India for the past nine years. He is a military man of years of service, a

Suggestions About Funerals

By Chester M. Savage

1. NEVER set the time of the service until you FIRST have talked with the pastor who is to conduct the service!
2. If at all possible, have the service some other day except Sunday! Sunday is a day of WORSHIP. If a funeral MUST be held on Sunday, be sure the time is set so that it will not interfere with any of the regular services of the church!
3. It is best NEVER to open the casket at the service. That only breaks hearts more!
4. The preacher preaching the sermon should NOT be personal. Personal remarks will only make the loved ones more conscious of how they will miss the departed. The thing people need in such an hour is GOD'S WORD AND ITS MESSAGE!
5. The service should be BRIEF. One song, a Scripture reading and prayer, another song, a brief sermon is the best order.

member of the Church of England, and a man versed in world affairs. Some of us asked, "Major, we have seen something of the war's destruction in England. We hear a great deal about a threatening economic crisis here. What, in your judgement is England's greatest need right now?"

The Major replied with deep feeling: "England needs an economic revival. There are many things not well with her economy just now. We need also a moral revival. But we cannot have either without first having another. What we need in England most of all is a spiritual revival! We want it, believe me, more than we want an American loan." Then with earnestness and wistfulness he added, "Go back and tell the people of America this. Maybe you can begin such a revival in America, and let it come over to us."

Why not a spiritual revival, begun at the crossroads of rural, village and urban America, in our Southern Baptist churches?

NOTICE, BAPTIST CHURCH LEADERS

The following is a Suggested Program offered by a Pastor, that any church will enjoy:

Night of Prayer Service for CLARKE MEMORIAL COLLEGE

Congregational Singing, Prayer, and Scripture

General information regarding Clarke College's unique position in Mississippi Baptist Life, Her History, Service, and Present and Future needs; and the present Convention-Authorized and Led Campaign.

Prayer of Praise and Gratitude for Her Illustrious Past, and Petition for the Success of the Present Program.

Testimony of an Indian Student

Testimony of an Eskimo.

Prayer for These Unusual Students Whose Needs Clarke is meeting.

Testimony of Two Regular Ministerial Students.

Prayer for All Students planning to do full-time Christian Service.

Testimony of a Faculty Member.

Prayer for Faculty and Administration.

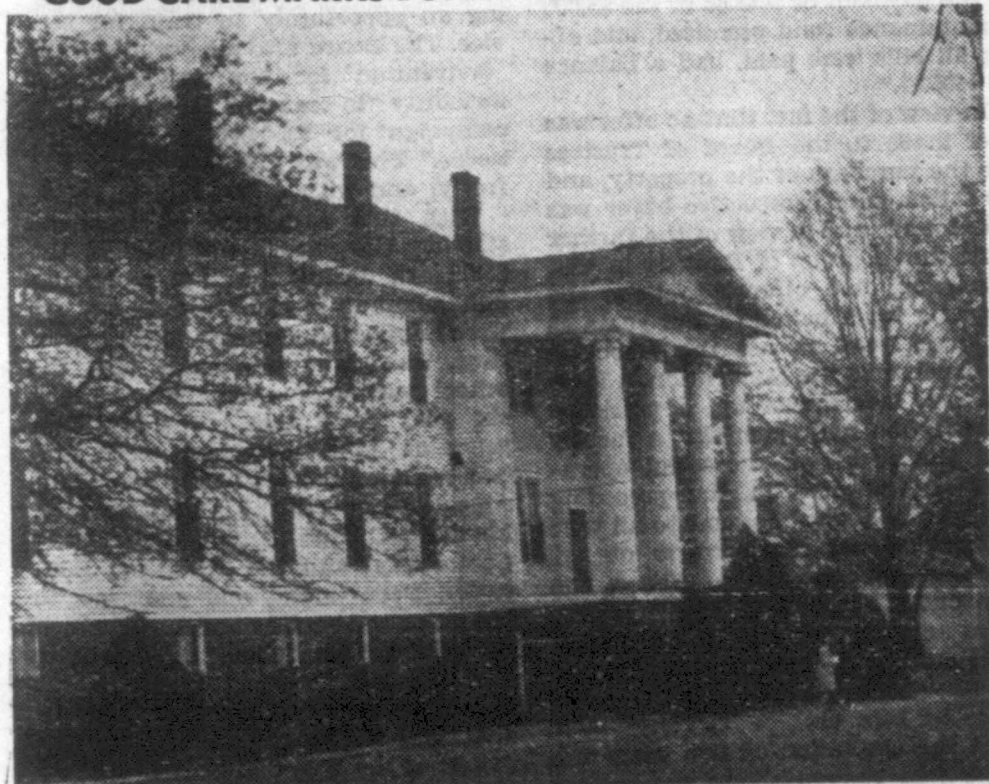
Hymn of Consecration or Praise.

Several Brief Spontaneous Talks in Personal Commitment to the Campaign.

Outline by the Pastor of the Plan for Special Offering on Easter Sunday, March 28.

COPIES OF TESTIMONIES MENTIONED ABOVE AVAILABLE FREE on request at Clarke Campaign Office, Baptist Building, Jackson, Miss. for leaders in churches with non-resident pastors who wish to have an evening of rich blessing. CLARKE STUDENTS WILL PERSONALLY attend when invited and speak for themselves in as many instances as POSSIBLE. PLAN to have this night of prayer.

GOOD CARE MARKS BUILDINGS ON CLARKE CAMPUS



Above is shown the picture of one of the buildings on the Clarke College campus. The excellent care which has been taken of them has enabled the buildings to be used to the best possible advantage. Repairs and remodeling on several are badly needed, and will be done as quickly as money is available. Baptists who visit the school are impressed with careful spending of the meager funds provided in

(Photo by Rayburn & Lowry.)

Student preachers of today will fill the places of leadership in churches in the years ahead. At Clarke College they are led with sympathetic though uncompromising conviction. Students trained at such a school will prove to be acceptable pastors to rural, village and city churches.

On Easter Sunday, several churches are sending their entire offering to Clarke College. In this they support missions as well as education, for Indians and Eskimos are training there to return to their races as missionaries.

MUSICAL ORGANIZATIONS MAKE FINE RECORD



The Clarke College Chorus is receiving invitations to appear at many places for church services, conferences, etc. Mrs. Frances Townsend is head of the Music Department. The chorus is as follows:

Bottom row (left to right): Thelma Roe, Campbell, Ala.; Jean Holley, Booneville; Mattie Eva Moore, Newton; Christine Moore, Philadelphia; Dorothy Rae Williams, Prentiss; Christine Fitzgerald, New Albany; Anene Irby, State Line; Margaret Fields, Quin, Ala.; Frances Bayne, La Fayette, Georgia.

Second Row (left to right): Jacqueline Perry, Kansas City, Missouri; Ola Mae Cowart, Merigold; Gladys Patch, Nicholson; Edna Williams, Prichard, Ala.; Rosa Mae Paschal, Bessemer, Ala.; Margie Ivers, Jackson; Juanita Johnston, Mobile, Ala.; Eloise Johnston, Mobile, Ala.; Zulene Newton, Nettleton; Dot Parks, Carthage; Mrs. James L. Lawrence, Flora.

Third Row (left to right): David Allen Brabham, New Orleans; William Lee Dossett, Whistler, Ala.; Morris Tanner, Jr., Crowley, La.; Charles Godbold, Ediceton; Robert Lowery, Flora; Ollie Bryant, Jackson; Robert Nations, Hazlehurst; Wade Allen, Morton; Carl Martin,

Womack Hill, Ala.; Jake Hebert, Orange, Texas; Raymond Golden, Walnut Grove,

Fourth Row (left to right): Mrs. Frances Townsend, Itta Bena; Wm. Truett Broadus, Escatawpa; John Jacob, Canton, Ohio; Barney Rushing, Tallulah, La.; John Woods, Perry, Florida; Henry Guy Willis, Tallahassee, Florida; James Booth, Mathiston; Charles Holland, Blue Springs; James Clanton, Heidelberg; Ben Hatfield, Gainesville, Georgia; Vernon B. Lee, Hattiesburg; Billy R. Greene, Mobile, Ala., and James L. Lawrence, Escatawpa.

Needs for the improvement of the music department are many. Two pianos are needed, and four piano lamps for upright pianos. Equipment for the present class room, such as floor covering, desk, chairs, music cabinet, racks and other things is needed. A sum of money to use in buying music for quartets and chorus work is also badly needed. If \$1,000 could be available immediately, this would help greatly. In the future, a music building will be a necessity, along with other things in keeping with an expanding department. Good records are also needed for music appreciation groups.

Pastors, Churches, Building Programs, and Clarke Campaign

By W. Lowrey Compere, Pastor Northside Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss.

When pastors speak of their churches being engaged in a building program and not being able to do all they would like to do, I know something of what they are talking about. Our church is in the midst of a building program that is tremendous, when compared with the size and strength of the church membership. Building for a Sunday School three times as large as at present and a congregation four times as large, building a structure far beyond the ability of the 640 members who now belong to Northside, we are experiencing wonderful thrills as we try to carry out a large task for Christ.

Although we are putting aside \$1,000 per month to pay interest on our bonds and retire the bonds as they mature, we continue to give 20% of our income to the great program of our denomination.

We have both Clarke and Mississip-

pi College in our budget for this year. Our budget included Blue Mountain when that institution was in the field in a campaign, and will include Womack's College when its time comes.

In addition to the \$900 in our budget for the Clarke Campaign this year, we expect to respond in the Easter offering March 28. I don't know how much more our people will give to Clarke at that time, but I do know they will hear a great deal about it between now and Easter and all will be challenged to give. As they get the information as to the unique work Clarke does and the place it fills in Christ's world program, they will give generously and cheerfully. Even under our heavy building load, we cannot afford to let our people miss the opportunity to take part in so worthy a cause as that of the Clarke College Enlargement Program.

In a school which is truly Christian, the administration accepts boys and girls as a "stewardship" and seeks to give a morally clean social environment in which they may grow into the nurture of the Lord. Such is Clarke College. The faculty holds sacred the trust imposed in them when parents send them the dearest possessions of their homes, their children.

Since 1943 was set by the Mississippi Baptist Convention as Clarke College year, many have learned of the work done there for the first time. They are proud of the school!

GIVING to CLARKE COLLEGE, Baptists can support a school where the conduct on the campus between the sexes is supervised carefully, and with solicitude for the future good of the students. Low standards of conduct are not acceptable. Students who might seek to introduce cheap ideals are not sought for Clarke College. Mississippi Baptist parents appreciate such an attitude on the part of the administration.

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History of Clarke College

By J. L. Boyd, Sr.

The idea of a denominational school for Baptist young people in south-east Mississippi seems to have been conceived in the heart of Rev. S. B. Culpepper. It was started in the Bay Springs Baptist Association, at his suggestion, on Sept. 12, 1907 in the adoption of a resolution memorializing the General Association to establish a school to be called "The N. L. Clarke Collegiate Institute and School of Music." Mt. Pisgah Association took similar action four days later.

At its regular annual session on Oct. 27 following, General Association endorsed the idea, assumed the responsibility, and launched a movement to raise \$25,000 for buildings. A committee on location was also appointed to receive bids and "to meet on Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in November 1907 and decide where the school should be built." At that meeting of the committee, bids were received as follows: Bay Springs — \$15,000 and 100 acres of land; Newton — \$35,000, 40 acres of land, 50 scholarships and water for five years; Philadelphia — \$20,000 and 20 acres; Summerland — \$11,000 and 700 acres of land; Taylorsville — \$14,000 and 677 acres of land. The Newton bid was unanimously accepted and plans were made at once to build a boy's dormitory and a girl's dormitory, and a chapel building in order to open the first session on September 28, 1908.

Under General Association Control

The school opened as announced as "Clarke Memorial College" with the buildings ready for occupancy, and the enrollment the first session reaching the surprising figure of 104, ten of these being ministerial students. The next year 214 were enrolled, when the Board of Trustees jubilantly exclaimed:—"As we come to celebrate our second birthday, that makes us a babe of two short summers, we are truly grateful to God for His blessings." The cost of board, room, heat and lights was set at \$12.00 per month, or \$36.00 for the term of 14 weeks. The enrollment the third session increased to 235, and the fourth session to 252 students. It was then that the Board of Trustees made a strong appeal to the General Association for more buildings for many young people who were clamoring for entrance. A dozen cottages for ministerial students were asked for, as well as other enlargements. A sufficient amount had been subscribed to take care of the original buildings, but the money was coming in slowly thus permitting a debt to hang over the institution. The school's patronage was outstripping the progress of the men of means to provide for the youth seeking training in Christian citizenship.

To add to the embarrassment the enrollment began to wane which, in three years, brought the school face to face with threatened calamity. The Mississippi Baptist Convention in 1913 formulated a policy for maintaining a "System of Schools" under the supervision of an Education Commission; and Clarke Memorial College was asked to enter the system. The Board of Trustees were willing, and the General Association voted to transfer ownership of the institution to the Convention, hoping thereby to better its chances for success. A debt of \$33,000 had to be settled however, as a condition for the transfer. The Education Commission assumed \$15,000 of it, provided the Trustees would assume the balance of \$18,000. Only

eight of the 30 members of the Board were willing to get under the load; and they did, which "is one of the heroic achievements in the annals of College history." So, the school was formerly admitted into the "System of Schools" on March 17, 1914.

Under Control of Convention

During the first session under the new set-up, 1913-14, 153 enrolled, but two years later it fell back to 102. Faculty members were receiving at the Convention time only from \$20.00 to \$45.00 per month, including the president. An emergency call was made resulting in \$1,952.00 in subscriptions to enable the school to finish the session. By 1918, the \$15,000 assumed by the Education Commission had not been fully paid, and had become "a headache to the Commission". They suggested to the Convention that money be borrowed to settle the account, and that Clarke Memorial College discontinue conferring degrees, but use certificates instead.

When the \$75,000,000 Campaign was launched in 1919, the school had 120 students, and asked for \$140,000 of the amount to be raised in this special campaign—\$100,000 for Endowment and 40,000 for buildings and repairs. The ministerial students proposed to raise \$90,000 during the drive and the remainder of the student body assumed \$12,000. They did raise \$100,000 and the college was promised 10% of the amount collected from year to year for the five year period. The next year the enrollment went to 123; and hoping against hope the school pressed on, expecting better days. In Feb. of 1923, the Executive Secretary of the Commission visited the campus and found the school "struggling between life and death." He proposed to give \$7,500 of the \$75,000,000 funds, provided the citizens of Newton would give \$2,500 toward retiring a debt which was hampering the institution. The challenge was accepted; and the Secretary gave in addition \$5,000 for repairs. A new spirit came from this gesture, to be dimmed by a fire that destroyed the administration building with practically all its contents. However, a new \$50,000 brick administration building was soon erected in its stead.

A new day dawned for the school following this seeming calamity. The enrollment increased and the institution was admitted into the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in 1926 as a Standard Junior College. The students attended numbering 259 for the regular session and 225 for the summer school, and the next year in larger numbers, and then in the 1927-28 session 295 in the regular session and 250 in the summer school, making it slightly below 500, not counting any student more than once. This was the peak year.

But "coming events cast their shadows before." During the next session 1928-29, only 153 students enrolled for the regular session; no summer school was reported. An accumulation of debts, over a period of years, had piled up to the astonishing figure of \$46,000. This, together with the decrease in enrollment and the financial crash of 1929, brought the institution to the brink of ruin. The Board of Trustees held a special meeting on Feb. 17, 1930 to seek some solution to the perplexing situation. A member of the Education Commission was present, by invitation, who revealed during the meeting that a "suggestion had been made in some circles that the property of the col-

lege might be converted into an Orphanage site," and that the College cease to exist. The enrollment then stood at 101.

In the face of such a possibility the Newton Baptist church rallied to raise \$10,000, and the citizens of the town a similar amount, while friends of another town offered \$800, to relieve the situation and save the school. With this amount secured, the Board of Trustees appealed to the Education Commission to assume the balance of the indebtedness. A special session of the Convention was called in Jackson on April 24, 1930 when it was voted to discontinue Clarke Memorial College and that the Baptist Orphanage purchase the physical assets, and assume the indebtedness. A second special session of the Convention was held in the College chapel on the 15th of July following when the former action was rescinded, thus permitting the school to continue. The Convention further pledged the school \$5,000 annually as a support fund until an Endowment could be raised to guarantee its successful operation. The \$46,000 debt was to be taken care of by a bond issue. But at the regular session of the Convention in November, upon the recommendation of the Education Commission, Clarke Memorial College was ordered closed, and the Board of Trustees instructed to sell the property to the best advantage and to apply the proceeds to the payment of the outstanding obligations.

Under Private Control

Having re-opened in September, the school was having a very successful session when the Convention convened in November. The enrollment stood at 110; and so well were the affairs of the institution conducted that at the end of that session the Education Commission was "relieved of the payment of \$648.65 of the \$5,000 maintenance fund promised, and after all bills were paid, had a balance of \$485.92."

In view of the fact that no offer was ever made to the Board of Trustees for the purchase of the property, and no satisfactory prospective buyer was ever found; and in view of the further facts that a group of Baptists in east Mississippi had offered to lease the property for a period of five years at \$1.00 per year, to run the school at no expense to the Convention, a lease contract was drawn up, a president elected who had assembled a faculty and the school in successful operation as indicated in the preceding paragraph, it was apparent to all that the school was not born to die, at least in our generation. Hence, the Convention became a party to the lease as specified, with the provision that adequate insurance be carried on the buildings and necessary repairs be kept up.

At the expiration of five years the lease was renewed; and the college pulled through the depression years of the 1930's with a small student body and a self-sacrificing faculty. At the 1938 Convention, the then acting-president of the institution came before the Convention with the suggestion that a new board be appointed to "take charge of this property and look toward the disposition of same in some way that might bring greater kingdom dividends than are now being realized." There were then 101 students enrolled. Instead of following this suggestion, the Convention instructed the Convention Board to appropriate \$1,000 to the college to be

distributed among the teachers, and this was repeated for a few years, then increased to \$1250, then to \$2,000 and finally to \$3,000 in 1943-44. These were the extremely "lean" years due to war conditions when most young men were away in the service of their country. However, in 1942 when the enrollment was 70, six states besides Mississippi were represented in the student body, viz: Alabama, Louisiana, North Carolina, Florida, South Carolina and Tennessee.

Back Under Convention Control

A memorial was presented to the Convention in its 1944 session from the Delta Pastor's Conference making an appeal for the restoration of Clarke Memorial College back "into the family of institutions." It was favorably acted on and the Convention Board instructed "to provide from the funds accruing from the funds of the Co-operative Program adequate financial support to assure Clarke Memorial College its proper rating with Junior Colleges." At this time the institution was experiencing a definite come-back, with an enrollment at Convention time of 184 students. The future appeared much brighter as the attitude of the denomination as a whole was changing from one of "live and let live" to that of "live and help live."

A fact-finding committee was appointed to report a year hence and to recommend percentages of allocations of funds accruing to Christian Education to all our institutions. This committee recommended that Clarke Memorial College receive 15%. By that date (November) 220 had enrolled, of whom 100 were ministerial students and 61 were veterans under the G. I. bill of rights. Every available space was filled on the campus and the Board of Trustees made an urgent appeal for enlarged facilities to take care of the young people asking an opportunity to train for service. The Board also memorialized the Convention for the privilege and authority "to organize and promote a campaign for \$350,000 to meet the needs." This was granted readily and freely, and with a "God bless you."

With this assurance of financial stability the enrollment reached the 333 mark during the 1946-47 regular and summer sessions, of whom 146 were ministerial students and 82 veterans. The claim was made that the school was unique in that "it is a six year institution, providing two years of adult secondary work and two years of College." This secondary education department is subject to the Mississippi High School Accrediting Commission and the Mississippi Education Department, and conforms to the rules and regulations under which accredited High Schools of the State operate.

Up to the time of the 1947 Convention the impetus gained from the action of the 1946 Convention enabled the school to make many and very urgent improvements to the facilities. And 30 houses and apartments on the Ministerial Board property and 40 on the College property were filled with students. There were also reported a Building Surplus of \$64,138.83, and an Endowment Fund of \$4,728.22. With this encouraging outlook the Education Commission recommended and the Convention voted "that the Clarke Memorial College Campaign which was authorized by the 1946 Baptist State Convention be accelerated in 1948, and that all denominational forces give it such support as they deem advisable."

Commission Chairman Lauds Clarke College "Beside The Still Waters . . ."



SIDNEY T. ROEBUCK

Roebuck Says: "Man for Man and Dollar for Dollar" No Other School Has Done More for Students Than Mississippi Baptists' Only Junior College

For my part, I have always been proud of the fact that I went to Clarke College. After leaving a rural high school in Attala County, I worked for three years and realizing how very much I needed an education, I came to school at Clarke College. When I decided to enter Clarke College, I was working as a cook in a restaurant in Clovis, New Mexico. Since I had never finished high school, it was necessary to take a college entrance examination in order to go to college at all. My finances were limited, and had it not been for the fact that I could "live on a shoe string," so to speak, I could never have finished my first year at Clarke College.

It was impossible to go to college two years in succession, so I "dropped out" and taught school in Lauderdale for one year. I believe we had a six and one-half month term. Then I went to New Orleans and drove street cars as a motorman during that summer. By saving money it was possible to return to Clarke College and to finish in the spring of 1925. During my senior year I was fortunate enough to make the college debating team, and the senior class elected me the editor-in-chief of the college annual.

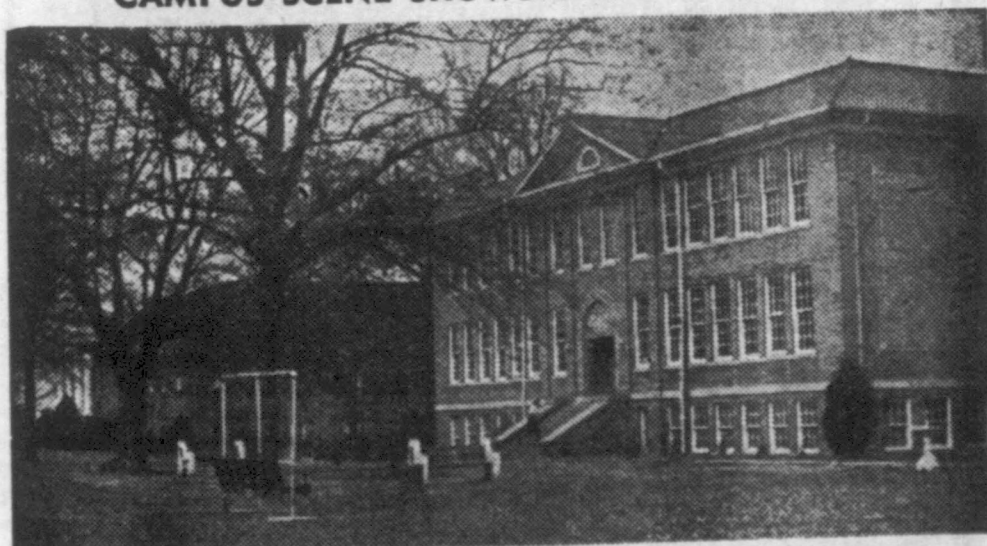
We had some wonderful teachers at Clarke College, and I shall never forget my experiences there. The institution has rendered a very valuable service to young men and women of Mississippi and surrounding states. Many leaders in religious and educational circles attended and were influenced by the teaching and environment of a Christian school.

While there I heard Dr. J. W. Provine, who, in my opinion, is one of the greatest educators that this state has ever known, make the statement that Clarke College had never sent a sorry student to Mississippi College. It was gratifying to me to find that so many of the Clarke College students made good wherever they went in other schools or in their chosen life's work. I am quite confident that no other school in the South "man for man and dollar for dollar" has ever been able to do more for young men and young women with limited means than has Clarke College.

It is with a sense of deep and abiding appreciation that I say to any young man or young woman who really wants to work and to get a basis for an education, "Clarke College should be given every consideration, because it is a good school."

Editor's Note: Mr. Roebuck is Chairman of the State Highway Commission for Mississippi and renders important public service. He later finished at Mississippi College. Support of public spirited high type men like this encourages leaders seeking to raise necessary funds to strengthen the school that gives such advantages to youth in a Christian environment. Baptists of the state are glad they have a school to offer young men with experiences like Mr. Roebuck's. Please give generously.

CAMPUS SCENE SHOWS BRICK BUILDINGS



The desperate need of repairs on these brick buildings is evident to even a casual visitor. They were built years ago, but of excellent materials and foundation, although they have not been modernized recently. The investments Baptists already have on the campus encourage the repairing of these buildings now, and the modernizing of the interiors to provide comfortable and attractive quarters for the fine students of this school.

(Photo by Rayburn & Lowry.)

March 28 is the day for a Clarke College special offering in every church.

MARCH 28 is the DAY for Clarke College's offering



This little lake on the campus is the scene of many enjoyable programs which will be woven into the memories of Clarke College students in the years ahead. "Besides the still waters . . ." they have quiet vespers, they have campfire programs when under the stars God's power seems very close and real, they have happy social hours when Christian fellowship is untinted with the cheap and tawdry atmosphere of "commercialized" amusements. Morning watch "beside the still waters . . ." is never-to-be-forgotten. Such experiences have their definite place in the school which is out-and-out Christian, without apology. Youth responds to the beauty of God's handiwork. Nestling in a tiny wooded vale, fed by living springs, this place of serene loveliness calls for "the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts." The students shown are, left to right, Kenneth Collums of Houka, Miss., Christine Moore of Philadelphia, Miss., Edna Williams of Prichard, Ala., and Charles Gale, New Albany, Miss., and Perryville, Mo. (Photo by Rayburn & Lowry)

MET OPPORTUNITY AT CLARKE

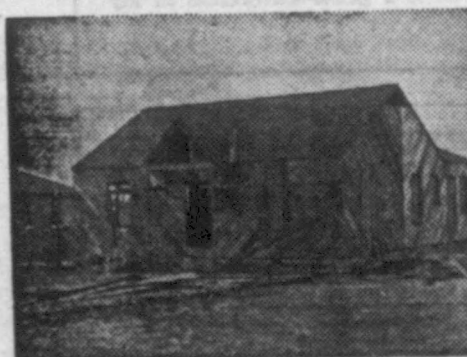
"I lived in a small saw-mill town in Louisiana about 65 miles north of New Orleans. I got through the eighth grade before joining the Navy. I joined the Baptist Church but my spiritual life was not very deep. I was not fully consecrated to the Lord. While in the Navy I was drawn closer to the Lord and He called me to preach His gospel. I did not surrender until in the winter of 1939 when I answered by surrendering my life to Him for immediate service. During the seven years in the service of the United States I gave all of my free time to soul winning among the sailors both on the ship and ashore. I had the privilege of leading many boys to find Christ as personal Saviour.

"As soon as I could get out of the Navy I enrolled at the Seminary in New Orleans. Everyone I met there told me I should go to college. They often spoke of a place called 'Clarke.' I became so tired of hearing the word 'college' that I often would say, 'I don't want to go to college. I don't want a degree. I have the 'gun'; give me the 'ammunition' and put me on the 'firing line' for the Lord!' But a few days under Dr. Watts and some of the others convinced me that I needed to 'back up and take a running start' if I ever expected to make the 'jump.' I went to Newton to investigate Clarke. A few minutes with Dr. Greene and I almost made up my mind. When I rose to leave he said, 'Let us have a word of prayer.' When he prayed for me, I made up my mind that if God would let me, I would come to Clarke.

"The way has not always been easy but the Heavenly Father has always provided strength. He has blessed me richly at Clarke College. One year and six months ago I had an eighth grade education. The Lord willing I will graduate from junior college in March this year. My wife is now in college and studying along with me. We dedicated our lives to serve the Lord Jesus Christ and to fight the devil.

"I can count four special 'spots' on the globe. First, Natalbany — where I call home; second, Manila Bay, Luzon Island — where I surrendered to God's call; third, New Port, E. I., — where I met my wife; fourth, Clarke College, where I met opportunity."

MANAGER'S HOME



Here is shown the Business Manager's home now under construction on the Clarke College Campus, made possible by funds from the Kent Estate from Greenwood. The substantial construction is evidence of the good administration in the spending of funds in this instance as in others on the school property. The materials and plans are the best available.

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It's True—What They Say About Clarke College

The most unusual school that meets a need no other Mississippi Baptist school can meet. Give liberally on March 28. Read what fellows are saying in these testimonials. Where would they have gone if it had not been for Clarke?

THANKFUL FOR CLARKE

"Born in Louisiana, I moved to Mississippi. I attended school at Hattiesburg, but quit in the 9th grade to enter the professional field of radio entertainment, at which I had been working during these days. I worked with various types of entertainers on many radio stations throughout the south in '38-'39, with string instruments, usually announcing and playing, from one station to another, always hoping for a "break into the big time."

"Just before the war, I worked in North Carolina and Tennessee, but not progressing much in my field. Then the war brought about big wages and better jobs as different places were open. I came home to Mississippi and enlisted in the U. S. Marines, and was sent to San Diego, California for my boot training. Things were pretty tough for a time in the training program of the Marines. I was awfully lonely until I was transferred to Los Angeles, and met some of the fellows I knew from the East who were there working in "night clubs" and radio. I appeared on several radio programs with well known talent and was promised a "break" in radio when my service was ended. This never materialized. From Los Angeles I went to San Diego again, and was put into an Infantry regiment which immediately left for the South Pacific where the going wasn't easy.

"Being a sinner, I never understood that God would not listen to my pleas to Him. But I put in a good bit of time on my knees, praying. No one ever mentioned Christ to me there, (but just before I left home to go to California for foreign service, one of my brothers, a student pastor asked me to accept Christ as my Saviour; but I broke his heart by turning a deaf ear.) I was asking Him for things like my safe return to the U. S. But my dear mother, father, and family were praying for my return. Though I went into three invasion beachheads, I came home in 1946 unharmed, and willing to start again my work in radio. But the odds were against me and even though I knew some people who were influential enough to keep me in the right jobs, my nerves kept being "shaky" and I couldn't work with a band for any length of time, owing to my temper, and ill-feeling while working in the night clubs. Each time I went into a place of such ill repute, my feelings would drop to the lowest ebb and I would want to get out. Finally one Sunday night in March 1947, two of my closest friends were killed in an auto-train wreck in Pecos, Texas. I was ready to quit radio and start something new, but that old hope of greatness in the eyes of men began to burn in my mind again so I settled at a radio station in Fort Worth. But my heart wasn't in my work. I returned to Mississippi, soon going into Tennessee, Ohio, and West Virginia. But there was no peace in my mind so I returned to my home. A revival meeting was in progress, with Dr. Greene from Clarke College doing the preaching. There I accepted Christ as my Saviour, believing on Him and asking to be accepted into the Kingdom of God. My burdens were removed, and my thoughts and feelings changed immediately and in the place of evil thoughts my mind began to seek ways to do good for my fellow men for the first time in my life. I joined the church at Moselle, and the next morning I came to Clarke College to enlist in the army of our Lord. Here at Clarke I have met people who not only have had an experience with Christ, but they are really out to do something for the cause of Christ. A few weeks after I came here I felt a desire to preach. This frightened me, but made me feel sure that God has a place for me in His work. Clarke gave me a wonderful "break" as I have been able to enter college after four months background work in the fine high school department here. I truly thank God for Clarke College, as it has made such a great difference in my life, and brought me closer to God."

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS VOTED 1948 AS CLARKE COLLEGE YEAR. ALL INFORMED BAPTISTS APPRECIATE THIS SCHOOL which does what none of the others can do. Where, indeed would students go who are not eligible for regular college work if we did not have Clarke College?

LORD LED TO CLARKE

"I joined the church when I was about 16 years of age, but I was not saved. I knew I lacked something. Although I was not the most wicked person, I knew I was a sinner before God. I kept trying to "kid myself" into believing I was all right. I married at the age of 23, and came back to my home church, after being away from home a number of years. The church placed upon me the responsibility of Sunday School Superintendent showing they had confidence in me.

"Two years later an evangelist came to Blue Mountain, and put his tent up for a ten days' meeting. I became convicted as I never had before. On Saturday morning after the revival started, I was helping work on a farm when a piece of timber fell on me and almost killed me. I knew the Lord was giving me another chance to surrender my life. I knew that had I been killed that Saturday morning I would have gone to hell. I was not able to go to church Saturday or Sunday. I was able to go Monday morning and I accepted Christ as my personal Saviour and that fear of death that I once had was gone. Then I rejoined the church and was baptised. The church ordained me as a deacon. When it seemed that I had at last found my place of service, I heard the Lord calling me to preach His gospel. I did not want to preach, but after nearly two years, I surrendered to preach. Through a friend of Clarke College, the Lord led me here. I do not know where the Lord will lead me from here, but I know He is leading me."

HAPPY AT CLARKE

"I was born in the Mississippi Delta and for about the first 15 years of my life I lived there. When I was nine years old, I suffered the tragedy of seeing my father shot to death. If my father was a saved man, I have no reason to substantiate the fact; for my father never went to church as I remember. By his death, Mother and I were left by ourselves. The savings were soon spent. We found earning a scant livelihood a problem. In all the places we lived, we still did not go to church. One year some little boys I knew were going to "join the church." I followed them. It was not a sincere move, and I cannot recall going to church more than six times after that until the summer of 1945.

"In 1940, we moved to Grenada and still church attendance did not interest us. Year by year the damaging effects of my evil way of life became more serious. How often have I thought about the fact that during these years only two people ever asked me to go to church or Sunday School! In 1941 I went to work full time. I was free to frolic and carouse around at night with, what I term as I look back now, the devil's own crowd.

"Having been rejected by the army in 1943, I was told to get a defense job. We moved to Pascagoula in May of that year and I fell even deeper into the mire. The first whiskey I ever drank was there. The devil's crowd seemed to be the only crowd, and I did everything that a man could do wrong. Sunday, the only time I had free, always went for the devil. I sometimes wonder now why God did not strike me dead!

"We returned to Grenada. Then the greatest day in my life came — June 27, 1945! Rev. A. B. Pierce was conducting a revival meeting at the First Baptist Church in Grenada, and hand bills were distributed inviting people to come. One was left in our door, and by it I was prompted to go to church one night. I went back the second night, and on the third night, the speaker having preached on Galatians 5:19-21, I knew that I was lost. I was deeply convicted. The next day, in the home of the pastor, Dr. G. E. Wiley, I was converted. There was a complete "about face" in my life. I stopped drinking, cursing, and lying and began growing in grace.

"The call to preach came to me in August, 1946, very strangely and very strongly. I told Brother Wiley about it and we prayed. Because of his understanding of such problems, he did not encourage me at first until he was sure that I, myself, was convinced of the call. When he was sure, however, he offered all the assistance he could, and was the true friend on whom I leaned for much support in those days. The call continued, even though I was trying to push it aside, but my refusal to hear Him was impossible; it continued with me constantly. I found no peace at all, and continued to pray sincerely that He would work it out for me. My wife and I had many rosy dreams for our future, but each thing we planned seemed to fail. His hand was working! Finally, I could no longer deny it; I had to answer it.

"We sold our little home and plot of ground immediately. We saw His hand working! We paid all our debts and I answered the call to preach. We prayed for the Master to guide us in our choice of the school which we should attend. As a result of much prayer, Clarke College was our only impression. We wrote to Dr. Greene, who accepted our application and helped me to arrange for local work so that I could have some means of support while in school. We had been much in prayer about a place to live, when to our surprise we were informed that the First Baptist Church in Grenada had voted \$650 to build us a cottage at Clarke College! We shall ever be grateful to Dr. Wiley, his deacons, and all those wonderful friends who did so much for us. We are so happy at Clarke. How we praise God for this wonderful school!"

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y. — Miss Nell Taylor

W. M. U. CONVENTION

Jackson, Mississippi
First Baptist Church
April 6-8

The local committee on arrangements has been at work for weeks. HOTEL RESERVATIONS will be made direct to the Hotel. The Robert E. Lee Hotel is holding a number of rooms and we would suggest you write early for your reservation.

ROOMS IN HOMES. A limited number of rooms in homes will be available (two people to the room). A nominal charge of \$1.00 per person per night is made. For a room in a home write to

Mrs. E. O. Allen
226 Lexington St.
Jackson, Miss.

LOUISVILLE W.M.S.—Some fifty-odd members and a large number of visitors heard Margaret Bailey of New Orleans, featured speaker at the Feb. program meeting. Mrs. C. L. Green had charge of the "Home Mission Program" which opened with the singing of "America the Beautiful." Rev. N. G. Hickman, Associational missionary spoke on "The Unfinished Task."

Then Mrs. Green presented Miss Bailey who gave a most interesting and informative discussion of the work now being done by the River-Front Missions in New Orleans, illustrated with colored slides of the Missions, workers, children of the Missions—individuals and in groups, both at work and play, also some streets of the homes etc. At the evening hour Miss Bailey spoke to the Business Woman's circles and the Youth.

MISSISSIPPI FIFTH. Relief needs are being met in a measure by clothing being sent through the Relief Center in New Orleans. The month of January, Mississippi dropped from third place to fifth place in total number of pounds sent—Texas, Missouri, Georgia, South Carolina and then Mississippi.

ANNUAL MEETING WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention

Memphis, Tenn. May 17, 18

Miss. W.M.U. is fortunate that this important meeting is so near. Many of our women should avail themselves of the opportunity to attend. The first session will be Monday morning May 17th, closing session Thursday evening May 18th. Each state can have only sixty delegates but we can have an unlimited number of visitors. Be sure and write to the State W.M.U. office if you desire to be a delegate. We hope to have every section of our state represented in our delegation.

HOTEL SPACE. We have a limited number of reservations for delegates in the Claridge Hotel. Those reservations will only be available through the State W.M.U. Office.

ROOMS IN HOMES—for Annual W.M.U. meeting and Southern Baptist Convention, write to
DR. MARK HARRIS
601 North Bellevue
Memphis, Tenn.

SPEAKER FOR THE CONVENTION



Miss Juliette Mather
Southern Union Representative

Miss Juliette Mather, the Editorial Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union will be the feature speaker for the Convention. She was recently elected to fill this important place—Editorial Secretary—supervising all publications of Woman's Missionary Union. She has rendered phenomenal service for more than twenty five years as the Young People's Secretary of the South. During these years of service the three magazines for young people have been launched—WORLD COMRADES, THE WIDOW OF Y.W.A. and AMBASSADOR LIFE. The July issue of ROYAL SERVICE will be the first issue of this magazine to have Miss Mather as editor. Beginning with that issue the magazine will be larger in size and more colorful in appearance and different in make-up.

LOTTIE MOON OFFERING receipts through Feb.—\$63,313.17.

The receipts for the same period last year—\$58,758.59.

MACON W.M.S. A recent letter from the program chairman tells of the splendid interest in the missionary programs. "Mrs. J. K. Baker, Jr., was program leader for Feb. 9th. On that day we had rain, sleet and snow—despite this the program went as planned with nineteen women present. It was a good program, informational and inspirational. She had used many facts from Goerner's book "America Must be Christian" and it is impossible to put too much stress on the missionary program meeting."

STORIES OF THE BOOK OF BOOKS (\$1.50), by Grace W. McGavran, is a collection of stories which dramatically reveals the history and power of the Bible. The author has diligently sought out stories which will entertain and inspire the reader with the dynamic force of this, the best seller of all time. Ranging from the seventh century to the present day, and gathered from every part of the world, these stories will appeal to the grownups as well as to boys and girls. The book is divided into five parts, covering an overall history of the Bible itself and its early preservation, down to recent translations. Miss McGavran has written a number of volumes that deal with the romance of missionary endeavor in many lands. Orders should be sent to the Friendship Press, New York, or to the Baptist Book Store.

Miss. College Choral Choir Lists Itinerary

Busy Schedule For Spring

Professor E. N. Elsey, director of the Mississippi College Chorale Choir, has announced a schedule of engagements for the choir which includes dates for the remainder of the month of March and one engagement for the month of April.

On Friday night, March 12, and Monday night, March 15, members of the choir will appear in the opera Guild in the Bailey Junior High Auditorium, Jackson.

Daniels Memorial Baptist Church, Jackson, will be host to the choir Sunday night, March 14. The entire evening service will consist of the choir in concert.

The Mississippi Education Association will be entertained in Jackson on Thursday, March 18, by the Choctaw Quartette, and on Friday night, March 19, by the Robed Choir in Central High Auditorium.

That week-end, the choir will jour-

ney to Pickens where it will appear in concert Sunday night, March 27, at the First Baptist Church there. Dr. Gunter is host pastor.

Tuesday, March 23, the choir will be presented in Jackson on the College Night concert of the Jackson Symphony with the choirs of Belhaven and Millsaps. Theodore Russell will conduct.

Climaxing a busy month, the choir will present "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Dubois in the Clinton Baptist Church, Wednesday, March 24 at 7:30 p. m. Members of the choir will be featured in the solo roles.

The same program will be presented by special request on Friday night, April 9, at the First Baptist Church, Vicksburg.

Professor Elsey says that further plans for the Spring are at the present incomplete, but a number of other road trips are being considered.

\$4.00 Will Provide 5 Tons of Food

NEW ORLEANS—Four dollars sent now to the Southern Baptist Relief Center at New Orleans will purchase and ship to Europe enough seeds to produce five tons of various types of food to feed an average family for a year.

This is a special plan worked out with one of the South's largest distributors. If orders for the seeds come in large enough volume, the price will be reduced further and the same \$4.00 will purchase and ship even more seeds, Rev. Clovis A. Brantley, Director of the Southern Baptist Relief Center, announced.

The seeds must be shipped from the Southern Baptist Relief Center at 718 Richard St., New Orleans, by April 1 in order to be planted in the Spring Season in Europe. "Help Them To Feed Themselves" is the new slogan—send your cash contributions today to New Orleans designated for "Seeds of Peace."

The seed that will be sent were recommended by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and includes the following varieties: Peas, Dwarf Garden; Bush Beans, Green Snap; Pole Beans; Beet, Garden; Carrot, Chantenay, Danvers and Nantes types; Rarish, Spring; Spinach, except Virginia Savoy and New Zealand; Turnip, Purple Top White Globe; Rutabaga, Yellow Garden type; Broccoli, Green Sprouting; Brussels Sprouts; Cabbage, early, round or flat; Cabbage, medium or late; Cauliflower, Snowball type; Cucumber, Pickling or Early Slicing; Endive Kale, Siberian or Scotch; Lettuce, Leaf; Lettuce, Butterhead; Leek; Parsley; Squash; Summer; Tomato, Second Early.

Baptists having garden tools of any type they wish to send overseas should send them immediately to 718 Richard Street, New Orleans and they will be shipped with the seeds.

Gulf Coast Pastors' Association

To Meet March 22

Because several of the Gulf Coast pastors are to assist in the Sunday School Enlargement Campaign in Pearl River County March 15-19, the regular meeting of the Pastors' Conference has been changed to March 22. The meeting will be held in the First Baptist Church, Biloxi.

The program for the meeting includes:

Devotional — Rev. A. L. Ott East Side Church, Pascagoula.

Sermon — Rev. John D. Dearing, Jr., pastor 1st Church, Bay St. Louis.

Bible Study — Rev. G. C. Hodge, pastor -st. Church, Biloxi.

"Southern Baptist Relief Commission" — Eugene Howard of the Baptist Relief Center, New Orleans.

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ROZELL'S COMPLETE LESSONS 1948 (\$2.00), is "A presentation of the International Bible Lessons for Christian teaching, written out from beginning to end just as the teacher should want to present the lesson," by Ray Rozell. Some features of the book are: specific suggestions for teachers with each lesson; unusual lesson introductions; careful outlining; visual aids; and an effective conclusion. Orders should be sent to the publisher, Rozell and Company, P. O. Box 2130, Amarillo, Texas, or to the Baptist Book Store.

THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF TODAY by F. W. Dillstone, B. D. and published by the Westminster Press, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania (\$1.50), offers a constructive discussion of the Christian doctrine of the Holy Spirit. The author emphasizes God's activity instead of God's nature and provides a dynamic interpretation of what, in fact, God does in the world. The author is an ordained minister of the Church of England. At present he is Vice-President of London College of Divinity.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

Miss Betty Chong, Wahiawa, Oahu, T. H., a sophomore at Blue Mountain College, addressed the monthly luncheon of the W. M. U. of the First Baptist Church, Meridian, in February. The following note has been received from Mrs. H. C. Parker, chairman of the program committee: "It was a great pleasure to have Betty with us last week. We have outstanding speakers at our missionary luncheon meeting—many of our ladies say that Betty Chong with her simple testimony of her conversion and her love for her Lord stands out as one of the most impressive messages we have heard. She carried us up to spiritual heights that we seldom reach."

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

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TUNE: I'M LOOKING OVER A FOUR LEAF CLOVER

I love my union, my training union,
As I've never loved before.
It helps me tal kin the language of love;
Leads me to worship my Father above.
Here I get training to work uncomplaining
For Somebody I adore.
I love my union, my training union
As I've never loved before.

THE COME-DOUBLE UNION!

Hats off to Fifteenth Ave. Baptist Church, Meridian for a progressive program now in action. Miss Evelyn Crooke, Church Secretary writes that "the progress is steady and we feel that the foundation for this new training union structure will be built firm." A new union has recently been organized for married couples and they have named the union "Come-Double" Union. This union started off in "high" and bids fair to be as good as the best in the state. Congratulations and best wishes.

MAGNOLIA MOVES FORWARD IN TRAINING PROGRAM

We are indebted to pastor John R. Maddox pastor of the Magnolia Baptist church, program for their department of training. March has been designated as "Training Union Focus month." All plans combine to increase the attendance more than 100% during the month. We were interested in the motto at the bottom of the church stationery—"Christ Has The Answer." That is true, and it is true when it comes to dealing with Training Union problems as well as others. God speed the day when all of us can look to Him for the answers.

This week Mr. Morgan and Mrs. Greenoe are helping in an Associational Training School being held for Leflore Co. The work is in Calvary Greenwood where Dr. R. A. Tullos is pastor and Mr. A. L. McCough director. Mrs. P. T. Smith is Associational Director. We haven't had a report on the work but know it is destined to bring rich blessings to the entire county.

Last week we had the privilege of conducting a church to church visitation program in three associations. Miss Gladys Bryant served in Union Association, Mr. W. C. Morgan in Hinds Co. and Mrs. J. C. Greenoe in Warren. More than twenty churches were reached with a practical conference on Training Union work.

This week Miss Hill is teaching in the Maben church. The Mathiston church has been invited to come in with Maben for this study course. Brother Dewey Metts is the pastor of both churches. They are only two or three miles apart hence lend themselves splendidly to such a cooperative study course.

Your state secretary had the pleasure of attending the Sunday School Convention in Meridian, and will be on Friday night the 12th in Picayune meeting with the Executive Committee of the Pearl River Associational Training Union.

Next week Columbus, Chickasaw, and Monroe Associations will be in a church to church visitation pro-

gram. Mrs. J. C. Greenoe, Miss Gladys Bryant and Miss Louise Hill will be leading in these, visiting a different church each night. Following this week of visitation Monroe Co. will have a Leadership School which will be held at Aberdeen with workers from all the churches in the county invited to come in for the class work each night. The same week The Salem church in Covington Co., will be conducting an "All Church" study course in which the state training union department will have the privilege of cooperating.

Your union may be good, but it isn't as good as it should be if you haven't reached the standard. Learn what it takes for your union to be standard, lead the union to adopt the standard as a working guide, Set a time limit on reaching it, and you will.

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Cranfield Baptist Church



Above is a picture of the fourth Baptist Church of Adams County. This church was organized from a Sunday School that had its beginning as a result of a tent Revival held there by the Associational Missionary, Lewis V. Wells.

The Sunday School began its meetings under an oak tree at Mrs. J. M. Fosters. The Associational Work was dropped but the Sunday School under the leadership of Mr. Wells continued until the church was organized in November, 1947.

The need of a building was seen and with contributions of the community and with large gifts from others this church building was erected and paid for within five weeks time. Mr. Wells is not pastor there now, having resigned in January. This is another work in which the State Mission Board has had a part, since about one third of the missionaries salary was paid through the state mission program.

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The Sunday School at Vancleave designated February as the month to enlist every resident church member in Sunday School, according to Superintendent Charles Wardrop. Everyone worked diligently, making more than 70 visits into homes and over 125 other contacts. The amazing results for this small community were 43 in Sunday School on the fourth Sunday and 89 in Sunday School and well over 100 in the worship service on the fifth Sunday. They have proven the fact that visitation pays. Rev. Ray P. East is their pastor.

Sparks & Splinters

CHURCH SERVICE HYMNS, published by the Rodeheaver Hall-Mack Company, contains more than 170 of the popular standard hymns; 90 of the well known gospel hymns; and 100 of the newer hymns. It also contains short choruses and responsive readings. The type is clear and readable; the cover is waterproof cloth. The book sells for \$1.00 per single copy and 87½¢ per copy in quantities of 25 or more.

Bowie Avenue Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, is growing. They recently sent 35 additional names for their EVERY FAMILY list. Rev. Cecil Smith is the pastor.

Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Amite County has just completed one of the best Study Courses it has had. There was a total enrollment of 100 with an average attendance of 73. We had a fine faculty sent to us by our Associational Training Union Director, Mrs. Felder. The faculty members were Rev. Sam Wagner, Associational Pastor, Mrs. Sam Wagner, Rev. and Mrs. Melvin Wilson, and Mrs. A. A. Ward of Centerville. There are to be 65 seals and diplomas given. — Lewis V. Wells, pastor.

Miss Mary Murphy, daughter of Dr. S. A. Murphy Highland Heights Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, has been elected house president representative on the Student Government Council of Blue Mountain College for the second semester.

Evidently Quentin Church, Franklin County, believes in the Baptist Record. H. R. Mallory, church treasurer, recently sent a renewal list of 20 names.

Hayes Creek Church, Montgomery, recently sent a nice list of renewal subscriptions.

J. Winfred Douglas was ordained as a deacon at the Wellman church in Lincoln county, February 22. These forming the council were: W. C. Cole, W. W. McCormack and Rev. James Brewer of Pleasant Hill; Rev. Edwin Burns and Rev. Harry C. Otte of Union Hill; N. E. White, C. Strahan, Eugene Castilow, R. L. Adams, M. E. Douglas, A. F. Parkinson, M. R. Hux and Rev. W. L. Thompson of Wellman. Mr. Brewer delivered the ordination sermon and Mr. Burns the charge. The prayer was led by R. L. Adams, followed by the laying on of hands.

The Northwest Mississippi Pastors' Conference will meet on March 16 at the Batesville Church. The following are to have parts on the program: Rev. Charles Magee, Rev. E. R. Henderson, Charles Horner, Dr. F. M. Purser. Rev. A. T. Cinnamon is president and Rev. Joseph W. Oliver is secretary.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. —(RNS)— Dr. William E. McCormack, pastor of First Congregational church here, feels the term "Protestant" should be dropped and the word "Evangelical" substituted. "A great number of Christians," he said, "are not protesting anything, but are affirming a faith that they most surely possess."

On February 22 Allen Steelman, one of the deacons of the First Church, Ocean Springs, was licensed to preach. He is the first young man to be licensed by this church.

A former Mississippi pastor in renewing his subscription for the Record writes, "Please don't let me miss a copy of the Baptist Record. I can get more information from the Record about things in this state than I can from our state paper here."

Feb. 24 — The March number of the Baptist Student contains an article "My Purpose Holds" by Mary Ruth Johnson, Knoxville, Tenn., a senior at Blue Mountain College.

The Baptist Record is grateful for 40 additional names to be added to the Byram EVERY FAMILY list. Byram Church is located 10 miles south of Jackson on highway 51. Rev. J. H. Bennett is pastor. The additional names were sent by Mr. A. G. Magee.

Baptist Bible Institute of Florida is in its fifth year, with 111 students enrolled to date this session. It plans to remain a Bible Institute, keeping the work of the level of those who have not had advantage of high school or college training. All Christian workers and volunteers are welcomed regardless of previous schooling. Expenses are less than one-third those of many other schools. Graduates are invited to continue their work in colleges or Southern Baptist seminaries. Inquiries should be addressed to Baptist Bible Institute, Post Office Box 552, Lakeland, Florida. Summer term begins May 27.—Leon M. Gambrell, President.

BUDAPEST (RNS) — A bill abolishing discriminations between the "established" and the "accepted or tolerated" churches in Hungary was introduced in the National Assembly here by Minister of Religion and Education Julius Ortutay. The latter group includes the Baptists, Episcopalians, Methodists, Seventh-day Adventists, Jehovah's Witnesses, and Plymouth Brethren.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilfred C. Tyler, of the Bible faculty of Blue Mountain College, write "Let's Read" that appears monthly in Home Life, published by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. An excellent article appears in the February number.

Recent visitors in the office of the Baptist Record are as follows: Dr. Chas. L. McKay, Mobile; Patricia Ann Hicks, Blue Mountain College; Laura F. Thompson, Blue Mountain College; Dorothy Griffin, Blue Mountain College; Claud Davis Bowen, Jackson; Dickie Bowen, Jackson; Dr. Claude B. Bowen, Jackson; Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, New Orleans Baptist Seminary; Mrs. H. C. Brister, McComb; Mrs. Earl C. Edwards, McComb; Mrs. Alton Raley, McComb; A. L. McCormick, Madison; B. B. McKinney, Nashville; W. Hines Sims, Nashville.

A survey made in Indianapolis, Indiana, of church membership showed that only 29.2 of the members were males; laborers make up only 8.6 per cent of the Protestant church membership although they constitute more than 26 per cent of population; during the 1930-1945 period, the population grew 15.6 per cent, church membership climbed 16 percent, but Sunday school dropped 10 per cent. Only 31.4 of all Protestants attend morning service, and 6.9 per cent night service.

Methodists report their Sunday schools have grown 566,278 during the past three years to reach a total of 5,345,571. The average attendance is 2,681,556. (Southern Baptist Sunday school enrollment has climbed 624,975 during the past three years.) The Methodists reported 100,653 enrolled in leadership training courses during the past year.

There are now 2,806 Southern Baptist churches with Brotherhood organizations. Overheard: "Baptists must either break ground or give ground."

Atlanta, Kansas City, and Oklahoma City are considering the matter of inviting the Southern Baptist Convention in 1949.

Two years ago, members of the Society Hill Church, Oakvale, organized a prayer circle at the suggestion of Miss Agnes Sutherland, a worker from the New Orleans Theological Seminary, who was visiting in their community. This prayer circle has been a great blessing to this community. Its success was faltering at first, but now they have 28 faithful attenders, representing 9 homes. The circle has been named the "Georganne Prayer Circle," honoring their oldest member, Mrs. Georganne Langston, who is 81 years of age. Mrs. A. D. Langston has recently been elected reporter of this fine group who believe in the significance and the power of prayer.

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Convention Speaker



DR. D. A. McCall

Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the State Mission Board is to be one of the featured speakers at our State Convention, April 1-2, at the First Church, Jackson. Dr. McCall is to speak Friday morning, April 2, on the subject "Our Men — The Hope of State Missions."

110 Stalwarts

The associational rallies began last night (Monday, March 1) at First Church, Meridian, in a big way. One Hundred ten fine men turned out on a bad night for this splendid meeting. The spirit of the meeting was fine, and Dr. McCall's message on "Men and Missions" was very inspirational. Elgy Yarbrough of Meridian is the associational president. The other officers are: Oscar Yarbrough, Harvey Collier, M. F. Rayburn, and C. D. Shields.

One Down and Thirteen to Go

At this writing (Tuesday, March 2) we have made only one associational rally. There are thirteen more in this series. If the spirit of the men last evening at Meridian was indicative we shall have some good meetings. When this issue of the Record reaches you on March 12 or 13 we shall have the following rallies to make: Madison, March 15; Leflore, March 16; Leake, March 18; Newton, March 19; Walhall, March 22; Lincoln, March 23; and George, March 26.

Five New Missionaries Appointed

RICHMOND, Va. —(BP)— Appointment of five new missionaries for lifetime service overseas and the appropriation of funds for new buildings in the Balkans and Hawaii highlighted the February meeting of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Board appropriated \$15,000 for the purchase of a Baptist headquarters building in Budapest, Hungary, and smaller sums for the enlargement of the Baptist deaconess home in Budapest and the Central Baptist Church in Bucharest, Romania.

"Despite the fact that missionaries are not able to get into the Balkan area now," Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary of the Board, said in comment on the action, "we are able to give assistance to the development of evangelical Christian work

in Hungary and Romania."

Hearing reports of the rapid growth of Baptist missions in Hawaii, the Board made plans to help churches of the islands build the educational plants needed for their evangelistic opportunities. A sum of \$20,000 was appropriate for one church, and each of four others is to receive \$10,000 from Christmas offering made by the Woman's Missionary Union of the Convention in 1947. A building and loan fund of \$75,000 was established to facilitate the construction program of the Hawaiian churches.

New missionaries appointed are Rev. and Mrs. Horace E. Buddin of Seminary Hill, Texas, for Brazil; Miss Dorothy Evelyn Donnelly of Seminary Hill, Texas, for Latin America; and Rev. and Mrs. Dennie L. Payne of Howe, Texas, for Nigeria.

Maddox Accepts Post With Foreign Board

RICHMOND, Va. —(BP)— Rev. Samuel E. Maddox of Florence, Ala., and Brazil has accepted appointment as secretary of missionary personnel for the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and will assume his duties here April 1.

Mr. Maddox, the son of missionaries emeritus, was born and reared in Brazil, and after education at Georgetown College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, was himself appointed to mission work in Brazil.

In making the announcement of Mr. Maddox's acceptance, the Foreign Mission Board emphasized that Maddox is uniquely fitted for the job in that he "has been called to overseas service, has accepted, been processed and appointed," and in that he also has lived on a foreign field. He succeeds Rev. J. W. Marshall, who resigned in

Ellisville Exceeded Relief Challenge

"The Ellisville Baptist Church has met the challenge of the day. Due to world need, we responded to the call of our Foreign Mission Board, through the agency of the Southern Baptist Relief Center in New Orleans, to help our brothers in Europe. We settled on trying to gather 300 pounds of clothing for these needy people. It was possible to enlist the Junior Department of our Sunday School with three adults to go from house to house and gather the clothing. The Lord richly blessed our efforts by giving us 83 pounds of clothing to send to European relief."

"Sunday, February 29, our Sunday School Attendance was 277 and Training Union 124. (You will be interested to know that this is the largest attendance that we have acquired since our coming to Ellisville.)—George A. Nichols, pastor.

April 1947 to become president of Wayland College at Plainview, Texas.

BLUE MOUNTAIN GIRLS TO RIDE



Blue Mountain College has been given two Tennessee walking horses trained by Walker Francis of Tupelo. Dr. W. H. Anderson of Booneville donated one and Mrs. Vivian Windham Cunningham of Booneville, the other.

Bottom picture, left to right: Jane Anderson, Dr. Anderson, Mrs. Cunningham, Top, Miss Anderson and Mrs. Cunningham riding the horses.

—From Blue Mountain College, 1947, By Rosa Hall, S.C.N.

331 ADDED AT GULFPORT FIRST DURING PAST YEAR

Rev. Joe T. Odle closed his first year as pastor of the First Church, Gulfport on February 15.

Highlights of the year were 331 new members 83 by baptism; additions every Sunday that the pastor was in the pulpit. The membership of the church is now 2050.

Offering for all causes totaled \$62,959. The building fund has increased from \$15,482 to \$47,788 and there is an additional \$31,496 pledged. Mission offering totaled \$9,345.

There has been growth in all the organizations with the Sunday School gaining more than 200 in enrollment, the Training Union more than 50, and Brotherhood reorganized with 75 active members, and the WMU growing and forming several new organizations and circles.

—BR—
P. A. ROWE

Whereas on January 20, 1948 in the plan and purpose of an all wise God, He saw fit to call to his heavenly reward our beloved friend and brother in Christ P. A. Powe.

Whereas unfailingly he was found at his post in his church ever faithful, never shirking, always loyal, under every condition and circumstance. He was a charter member of Dinan Baptist church. He served as Sunday School Superintendent for a number of years. And was a deacon of the church at the time of his passing.

Whereas his strength and faith in the Lord were a constant example and source of inspiration to all who knew him, second only to his immediate family, he will be more sincerely missed by the pastor, deacons and members of his church, who leaned so heavily upon him and loved him so devotedly.

Be It Resolved:

First, that we extend to Mrs. P. A. Powe, wife of our dear brother, and to the other members of his family, our deepest sympathy in their hour of sorrow and, Second, that we ask that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be sent to the Baptist Record and a copy be placed on the Minutes of the church.

Respectfully Submitted.
MRS. HOSEA LUTER
MRS. CARLOS OWENS
MRS. JIMMIE MOGU

The Union Baptist church, Rt. 1, Magnolia, in Pike county, recently called Rev. Eugene Sloan as full time pastor. A spring revival has been planned to begin the last Sunday in March. Weekly prayer services are being conducted in the homes of the community. Large numbers are attending these cottage prayer meetings. Mr. Sloan is attending Mississippi College.

Rev. A. P. Wells has resigned at Gum Grove church, Rt. 2, Brookhaven, and plans to make his home near Jackson, where he will be located on the Raymond Road. He will be available for work in reach of this location, and desires to serve where churches do not need a resident pastor. The Gum Grove people erected a \$20,000 building is adequate. A parsonage has been built, and the property has been lighted and gas installed. Other improvements make the field one of excellent opportunity now. There were 40 members received into the church. The resignation takes effect the second Sunday in May.

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WARNING!

Some very aggressive women are visiting the homes of Gulfport offering free "Bible Courses" and selling "good Bible books." They claim that the materials they are offering are non-denominational and they do not reveal their own denominational identity. These workers are SEVENTH DAY ADVENTISTS and the courses and books they are offering are filled with false interpretations of the Scriptures. Before accepting any such courses or buying such books ask the agent what denomination he or she represents. If he will not tell you, then refuse to consider his offer. If you are not sure about the matter call the pastor. Groups such as Seventh Day Adventists, Jehovah's Witness, etc., continually seek to mislead people into accepting their heretical teachings. An example is the Radio program "Voice of Prophecy" which also offers free books and Bible courses. This, too, is Seventh Day Adventist. A person who proclaims the true message of Christ does not seek to deceive or hide his identity. Beware of all others. —First Baptist Church, Gulfport.



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MISS LILLIAN WEST

Miss Lillian West will be one of our summer field workers in the Department of Church Music this year. Miss West has worked with our Department for the last two summers. She is public school music teacher at Booneville, Mississippi.

Schedule your summer School music now.

Mt Zion Church recently sent a list of 86 renewals and a check to pay for one year. Rev. B. E. Padgett is pastor and Miss Alitha Griffith is the treasurer.

MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR RIDGECREST AND CLINIC

It is time to make your reservations for the Music Conference at Ridgecrest which will be held August 19-29. Write Robert Guy, Manager, Ridgecrest, North Carolina for detailed information about reservation costs etc.

It is also time to be making your reservations in hotels here in Jackson for the State Music Leadership Clinic, August 1-6, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi. Eight outstanding musicians have been secured to instruct and train the church musicians of the state. Write now for more information and start making plans to be here for this week's training.

TWO NEW TRAINING COURSE BOOKS

"Growing a Musical Church," "Instrumental Music In The Church," "Methods and Materials for Graded Choirs" were in mimeographed form until now. They are now in printed form and may be purchased from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Mississippi. Many of you who have the Mimeographed copies would want the printed books for your permanent library.

Evidently Long Beach Church is growing. The pastor, Rev. E. R. Anderson recently sent twenty additional names for the EVERY FAMILY List.

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DANGEROUS TRENDS

Someone has said that if, as, and when America goes down it will be because of the desecration of the Lord's Day. It is indeed tragic when lawmakers in a Christian nation lose sight of the significance of God's Holy day and pass laws which make it a holiday instead.

A great effort is being made in the Mississippi Legislature to legalize Sunday movies, ball games, etc. The House of Representatives has already passed this bill. Christians all over the state should protest quickly and bitterly. Contact your Senators NOW and ask their support in defeating this destructive bill.

The modern moving picture industry is one of the most degrading, down-dragging, destructive forces in our land today. It breaks down morals, breeds crime, and destroys homes. J. Edgar Hoover said.

"Today's movies, many of them dealing with crime, exert a tremendous influence upon pliable young minds.

"Law enforcement files are replete with the stories of juvenile offenders who confess having derived the ideas for their crimes from the Movies."

The Bible says, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." No nation, no state has a right to expect God's blessings, when God is left out of her planning. This sort of legislation attempts to put God aside, stand Him over in the corner, and ignore His

commands and will. He said "Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy."

There is a great need today for statesmen instead of politicians. When the time comes to cast our votes on election days, we should be sure we vote for statesmen of character. Christian people can control politics. All Christians including every pulpit should concern themselves into partisan politics. Our present fight in the Legislature is evidence of our failure at the ballot box.

"God give us men! A time like this demands

Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands,

Men whom the lust of office does not kill.

Men who possess opinions and a will, Men who have honor, men who will not lie,

Men who can stand before a demagogue

And damn his treacherous flattery, without winking,

Pure men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog,

In public duty and private thinking."

CONTACT YOUR SENATORS NOW AND HELP US DEFEAT THE SUNDAY MOVIE BILL AND THE BILL TO LEGALIZE LIQUOR.

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Miss Doris Lancaster, Treasurer of Center Hill Church, Monroe County, recently sent a renewal list of 22 names which helped along toward the 60,000 mark in circulation.

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Reverence Pastors

"Remember them that had the rule over you, men that spake unto you the word of God; and considering the issue of their life, imitate their faith. Hebrews 13:7. Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit to them: for they watch in behalf of your souls, as they that shall give account; that they may do this with joy, and not with grief: for this were enprofitable for you." Hebrews 13:17.

In talking with a pastor recently, I prefaced a remark with a statement that I had come to see by the Bible that I should give heed to the office and the authority of a pastor. He replied that he was glad to find someone who regarded the pastor as other than "a hired hand." That set me to thinking. I have been rather critical of preachers for lack of boldness to speak out on issues of the day and sins among us. And this seemed to explain a lot.

Who does exercise the authority in our churches? The pastor or the deacons? Who is the chief human agency in calling the pastor? And who is it if offended; (probably by preaching on their sins) instead of following Christian procedure, take matters in their own hands and begin to "freeze him out?" If the deacons (which usually includes most of the influential men) do the "hiring and firing," that just about makes them the holders of power, does it not?

By the New Testament the deacons were constituted as servants of the church. The pastor is a man called of God, filled with the Holy Spirit, especially anointed of God, God's spokesman and messenger among us. As the under shepherd he is particularly concerned with spiritual matters. Christ has systematically organized all His Kingdom. The husband the head of the home, the pastor the head of the local church, and Christ the head of the Church Universal.

How is a pastor to preach unhindered and with full vigor and power against sins of drunkenness, the dance of the immoral movies, adultery, covetousness, gambling, non-tithing, gossiping, unforgiveness, lying, stealing, etc., regardless of his integrity—if he can't help but be aware that he will be "treading on" those who can, and will, "roll him" — as Satan's helpers? The pastor should feel full liberty in preaching the truth of the Bible to the best of his knowledge;— which will be for the true and greatest good of the church.

(Editor's Note: This thoughtful letter from a layman brings to attention some ideas worth consideration in the light of the Bible passage he quotes. Someone may wish to answer his question.)

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The First Baptist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana, Dr. M. E. Dodd, Pastor, heard good reports from all Departments at their annual meeting on January 15th. Gifts to all Causes during 1947 were \$211,426.38, of which \$75,487.12 went to Baptist Missions, Education and Benevolences. The Church closed the year with \$300,312.71 in the Building Fund and hopes to begin construction as early as possible. There were 382 additions to the Church membership during 1947 of whom 96 were for baptism.

JOHN, THE UNIVERSAL GOSPEL (\$2.75), by Dr. Chester Warren Quimby, Visiting Professor of English Bible at the Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, is a scholarly yet non-technical, well-rounded, popular, accurate, and readable account of John. The glory of the Fourth Gospel, he believes, is its universality. According to Dr. Quimby, John speaks in terms of our common humanity; he sets forth the gospel for all peoples in all lands; and though he knew nothing of our atomic age, he offers a universal cure for broken governments and shattered economies. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store or to the publisher, the Mac Millan Company, New York.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

March 7, 1948

	SS	BTU
Brookhaven	711	191
Laurel, Second Avenue	492	134
Byram, Hinds	112	96
Crystal Springs	720	169
New Albany	499	203
Laurel, First	559	123
Laurel, West	419	92
Hattiesburg, 5th Ave.	503	164
Jackson, First	1285	411
Jackson, Van Winkle	393	228
Jackson, Davis Memorial	370	100
Jackson, Daniel	275	94
Jackson, North Side	325	112
Darling	42	
Louisville, First	409	114
Hattiesburg, Main St.	776	326
Enon, Panola County	66	56
Calvary, Pike County	92	80
Chalybeate, Tippah County	54	45
Newton	397	151
Zion, Pontotoc County	74	40
Centerville	174	66
McComb, East	413	215
Rocky Springs, Claiborne County	30	
Wellmen, Lincoln County	70	74
Jackson, Calvary	1353	351
Jackson, Calvary including Stone Street Mission	1394	385
Monte Vista, Webster County	59	49
Bruce	212	72
Columbus, First	866	240
Houlka, Chickasaw County	70	36
Grenada, First	537	90
Chester, Choctaw County	35	
Booneville, First	284	104
Gulfport, First	618	161
Soso	114	58
Pascagoula, First	616	161
Brandon	153	
Harrisburg, Lee	290	112
Corinth, West	159	77
Friendship, Pike County	165	108
East Fork, Amite County	100	47
Center, Union County	86	36
February 29, 1948		
Brookhaven, First	708	168
Hattiesburg, 28th Avenue	272	49
Corinth, West	153	88
McComb, East	392	253
Darling	42	19

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The State Department has announced heavy reductions in American import duties on Scotch and Canadian whiskey, French and Italian wines, brandy and other alcoholic beverages. These reductions were negotiated at the recent International Trade Organization meeting at Geneva, Switzerland and will go into effect the first of the year. Can't we get drunk enough on American whiskey, wine and beer, without importing more from countries to which we are exporting grain? Why are European countries producing liquors with American grain saved by the curtailment of liquor production in the U. S.? The use of any grain, domestic or imported, is in effect, the use of grain sent to Europe for the relief of the critical situation on the Continent and in the British Isles.

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Mississippi Calendar of Prayer

Issue March 11, 1948

- March 15 — Brotherhood Associational Tours with Visiting State Secretaries.
- March 16 — Dr. T. E. Ross, Jr., College Physician, Mississippi Woman's College.
- March 17 — Mrs. Irma McAttee, Assistant Professor of English, Mississippi College.
- March 18 — Miss Ernestine Cooper, Office Secretary, Baptist Headquarters.
- March 19 — Mr. J. L. Jenkins, President District 2 Training Union, Indiana.
- March 20 — W. B. Gresham, Superintendent, Benton Sunday School Association.
- March 21 — W. E. Greene, President Clarke Memorial College.

Dr. Ellis A. Fuller at First Church, Brookhaven



DR. ELLIS A. FULLER

Beginning Sunday, March 14, Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, will lead in a series of revival services at First Church, Brookhaven. Dr. W. Landon Miller is the pastor. The meeting will close Sunday, March 21.

Vic Werner, minister of music, Highland Park Church, will lead the singing.

Cottage prayer meetings are being held each evening this week throughout the city, and beginning Friday at noon, a twenty-four hour prayer meeting will be held at the church.

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G. H. Ellis, treasurer of Enon Church, Winston County, recently sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions, thus helping the Baptist Record above the 61,000 mark in circulation.

40 & 25 Years Ago

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.

40 YEARS AGO

Rev. L. E. Hall, pastor of the Fifth Avenue church, Hattiesburg, announces that "In just nine weeks after the church was organized on the same day of the week, and the same hour of the day, we worshipped in our new building at 2:30 p. m. last Sunday." A good Methodist brother had given the lot 150 x 200 feet "right in the center of one of the best residence portions of the city."

25 YEARS AGO

Rev. J. A. Taylor, pastor of the Brookhaven church, stated on the sixth anniversary of his pastorate, that he had received into the church during the five years 606 persons, performed, 114 wedding ceremonies, conducted 86 funerals, and preached 520 sermons from the local pulpit.

Pastor W. H. Morgan says that Dr. B. D. Gray was to preach the dedication sermon of the new church at Leland which was to be followed by a week of dedicatory services.

The Baptist Record thanks Association-al Missionary, Harold Douglas and E. J. Lee of Wildwood Church for a nice list of new subscriptions.

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NEXT DOOR TO THE WORLD



By Albert McClellan, Editor
Baptist Messenger

Four miles from the famous noisy French Quarter of New Orleans you will find a Baptist school established in 1917 to meet a more or less local mission need but now grown to be a full-fledged seminary, southwide in service and international in destiny.

That it is southwide in service goes almost without saying for everyone knows about its graduates, their superior abilities and varied services; but that it is international is not quite so obvious.

In the thirty years of its existence the seminary has carved a vast niche for itself in the hearts of Baptist people and it has surmounted heroically one unsurmountable after another—debt, insignificance, youth—enough to give it enormous creative vitality as it stands face to face with the future.

And what is that future? Well, to answer that brings us back to the international, which is what this piece is about; and to prove the seminary's position of inevitable international influence we offer nine indices, each having to do either with its location or character.

To begin with, New Orleans seminary was gloriously established as a child of providence. As far back as 1817 God was drawing the eyes of American Baptists to polyglot New Orleans. In that year Cornelius Paulding proposed that a school be established here in what was even then known as the gateway to Latin America. That was just five years after the first hoarse-throated Mississippi steamboat, just arriving from Pittsburg, paddled its way into the crescent city river port.

In 1845, New Orleans was named one of the three objects for which the Home Mission Board was established. In 1849 Basil Manly, Sr., declared that a school for training preachers located in New Orleans would be "rational, feasible and eligible." The thing that finally activated the oft spoken Baptist sentiment for a school was the realization, stirred up by Dr. P. I. Lipsey, that in New Orleans the Baptists cause was weakest and there Baptists ought to get in a heavy blow. So in 1917 the seminary, or Institute as it was called then, was born, ordained of God at a truly international crossroads to be his champion of truth.

Again, the seminary has a commanding place in today's Baptist affairs. Not only from Tampa to Texas on the Gulf coastline, but from the Atlantic to the Pacific and touching every southern state in between this queenly seminary has gown her sons and daughters in an ever-

gathering harvest of influence.

Further, the seminary has a competent faculty and a completely new faculty program. The student faculty ratio, 44 students to one teacher (1946), is the best among Southern Baptists. The professors and their associates have high academic character and are worthy successors to some of those early names who gave the school its vigorous theological beginning, Dr. B. H. DeMent, Dr. John T. Christian, and others.

And now, without doubt, the seminary has proved itself sufficient in the South's most cosmopolitan mission area. The real influence of the seminary is seen in New Orleans in the increase of Baptists from 1,256 to 14,000 and in churches from 6 to 37 by 1946.

Southern Louisiana is a natural training arena for foreign mission volunteers. For here is a large Negro population, 200,000 in New Orleans alone, many of them unreached. Here also are many different language groups, French, Italians, Indians, and Spanish. And here alongside the eleven and one-half miles of wharves, dock ships from all over the world with their sailors, speaking every language known to man, and all needing the gospel.

And then, the seminary has made sturdy and constant gains in all activities since its beginning. The first school term began thirty years ago, next October, with 78 students from seven states. Before the year's end there were 118 enrolled.

In 1947, the first year of President Leavell's incumbency, the school had 378 students from 24 states and three foreign countries and a new 75 acre campus plot located on Gentilly Boulevard. Total enrollment for 1948 will probably pass 400.

Moreover, located in New Orleans, the seminary stands at what may well become the hub of a great industrial South.

Another reason for the seminary's international future is to be seen in its location with respect to the three Americas—North, Central, and South.

Moreover, the seminary has a vital place in evangelistic leadership. All of its presidents have been devoted evangelists, President Leavell, also now serving as professor of evangelism, is especially outstanding. He once headed the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board. For many years he has served as one of the principal leaders of the simultaneous revival idea, leading campaigns in many of the larger American cities. He is a member of the evangelistic committee of the Baptist

LIQUOR ADVERTISEMENTS

Since the beginning the free circulation of liquor advertisements throughout the State, has been a continuous menace to the enforcement of the prohibition laws in Mississippi. They have permeated the entire state as well as every community and almost every home, seeking to induce people to drink more liquor.

The tragedy of the whole thing is the example set youth. Youth will not pattern after that complete victim of this great enemy, one whom he sees lying in the gutter. He will recoil from him, but he will follow after that good old neighbor next door with high community prestige who takes "just a little." Sooner or later his youthful friend is going to know it, and he can't keep it from him.

Then, who do you think is doing the greatest harm as an example set, the complete victim, who is down and out, or the considered, good old high class citizen? There is just one way to cut out intoxicating liquors and be safe, and that is to cut out every drop.

Men, apparently, see things differently. The writer of this letter sees liquor as Enemy Number One to his God, his country and his fellow man. From the standpoint of harm done, being done, and probably will be done, it is way out in front as Enemy Number One. Its casualties within this homeland were greater than those of the battlefield during the late war.

Recognizing this great enemy, this writer feels that his patriotism, his good citizenship and very nature demands that he meet this enemy with determined resistance and he expects to do that as long as he lives.

The A-1 question that confronts every living human being in all the world is the salvation of his own soul. His body is here for awhile, then passes on, but his soul continues. That is why its salvation is his question No. One. Sin condemns souls, and liquor, legal or illegal, causes more sin than anything else that can be thought of.

A referendum takes precedent over a legislative act. In the event the legislature repeals our prohibition law, the unique situation in 54 counties would be that all liquors of high alcoholic content, above four per cent, would be permitted sold while those of four and below would be prohibited. Unique, don't you think?

The prohibitionist is what he is from the standpoint of unselfishness, while the liquor man and the liquor advertisement man is what he is from the standpoint of selfishness.

The harm of liquor is in the drinking of it and prohibition always reduces that, notwithstanding what has been said to the contrary, if all statistics and records are to be relied upon. The most notable was when we had it nationwide.—Albert Myers.

World Alliance.

Finally, the seminary has a new 75 acre campus and the prospects for the most up-to-date school plant in the world. The reality of all the other indices mentioned to this point have demanded it; the times have demanded it; and the tempo of New Orleans' civic improvement has demanded it.

Plans are underway to start construction soon on a series of quadrangles that will give Southern Baptists their most complete up-to-date seminary campus, a new school out and out, retaining its old zeal for the gospel and its thoroughgoing support of Baptist faith but acquiring a new dynamic character, a natural vantage point that bids fair to become truly a Seminary of the Americas.

So, if you are one of the 500,000 visitors who will trample New Orleans this year, don't spend all your time in the old romantic French Quarter, but spend a good part of it at the new romantic seminary which lies next door to the whole world and where Baptists have so much at stake in winning the Western Hemisphere to Christ.

CENTRAL MISS. PASTORS' CONFERENCE TO MEET MARCH 15

The Central Mississippi Pastor's Conference, according to the secretary, Rev. J. P. Bush, will meet in the prayer room in the Baptist Building, Jackson, on Monday, March 15. The program is as follows:

- 9:30—Devotional—Lowery Compere
- 9:45—Visiting the Sick A. S. Johnson
- 10:00—Comforting the Sorrowing
John W. Landrum
- 10:15—This is my problem
(two minutes to state it)
- 10:45—Rethinking Baptist History—
L. C. Hoff
- 11:30—Sermon—M. D. Morton
- 12:00—Adjourn.

KOSCIUSKO BTU REVIVAL

A Training Union Revival was held at the Second Baptist Church, Kosciusko, Miss., the week of February 16-20.

The enrollment reached 186 and this included the Story Hour which was taught by Mrs. Bervin Matthews. "The Junior and His Church" was taught by Mrs. Albert Smith, the director. "The Meaning of Church Membership" was taught by Miss Carleene Wade to the Intermediates. "Training in Church Membership" was taught by Mrs. David S. Homan to the Young People. "Meeting the Needs of the Adults Through Baptist Training Union" was taught by the pastor, David S. Horman, to the Adults.

This Baptist Training Union Revival consisted of study periods and a doctrinal sermon each night of the week. There were 14 additions to the church, ten by baptism and four by letter. There has been a great increase in Baptist Training Union since this Revival.

The Baptist Record has no better friend than Mrs. W. E. Lee of Como. She recently sent a list of 19 and a few days later reinforced that with a list of 4. No wonder the Baptist Record has such a large circulation!

MR. W. M. FOILS

Whereas, on November 28, 1947 God in His infinite wisdom called unto Himself the spirit of Walter Monroe Foils, better known as "Uncle Buddy."

Whereas, Mr. Foils was a charter member of Dinan Baptist Church and attended the services as long as his health permitted,

Whereas, he was not afraid to take God at His word, and when he saw no path to follow, simply acted upon what he considered the Will of God.

Therefore, be it resolved, first, that we extend to his children and loved ones our sincere sympathy, praying that God may comfort as He alone can do. Second that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, copy sent to The Baptist Record for publication, and a copy retained for the minutes of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HOSEA LUTER,
MRS. JIMMIE MAGEE,
MRS. CARLOS OWENS.

WALLACE M. LOGAN

Wallace M. Logan, 49, was accidentally killed on February 5 while hunting. He was found by his father who went in search of him after an absence of several hours. His faithful dog was by his side.

Funeral services were held from Souen-lovie Church, Clarke County, where he held membership, on February 7 by the pastor, Rev. C. J. Johnson, assisted by Rev. Guy Sigrest and Rev. Solie Smith, with interment in the church cemetery.

Survivors are his father and mother, Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Logan of West Enterprise; three brothers, Lucien Logan, Howard Logan, Kessler Field, and Carvin Dogett, Pascagoula; three sisters, Mrs. Harold Valentine, West Enterprise, Mrs. C. A. Taylor, Mobile, and Miss Billie Logan, West Enterprise.